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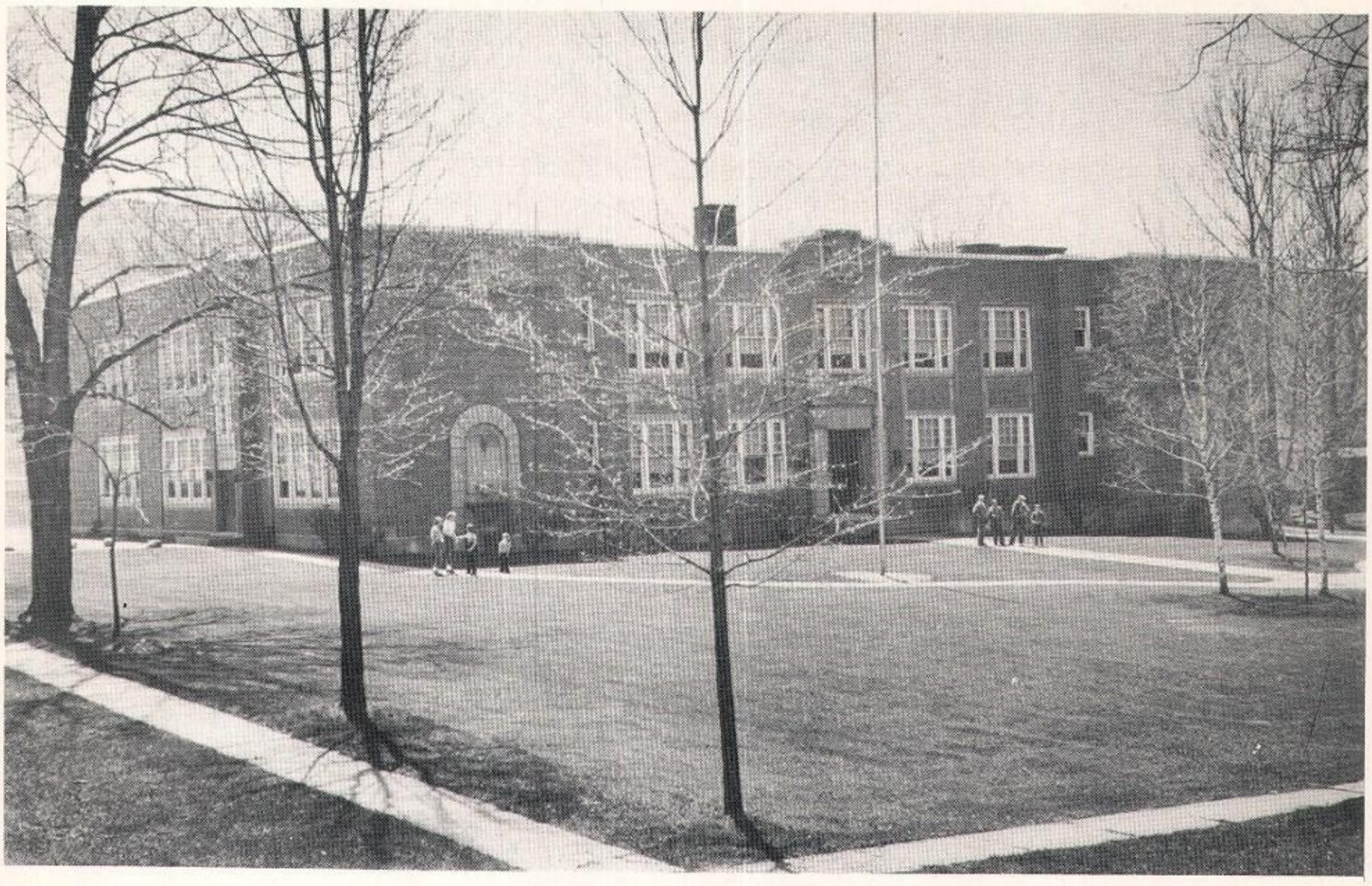

Alma Mater

When the first red beams of sunrise
Dawns the eastern sky,
Stands our noble Alma Mater
'Neath the hilltops high.
Lift the chorus; speed it onward;
Loud our praises call.
Hail to thee our Alma Mater,
Hail, O Hail, McGraw.

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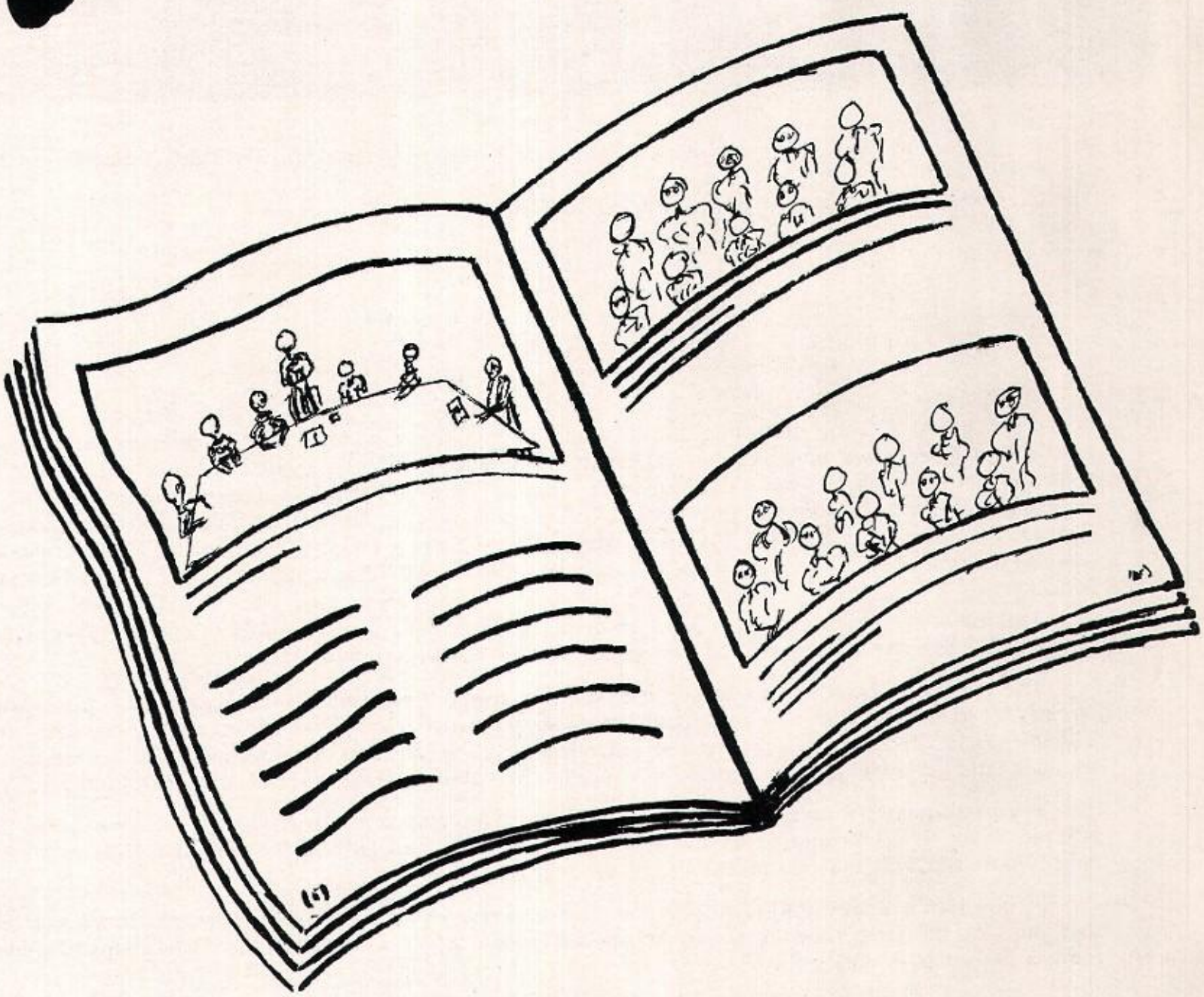
The Yearbook Club of 1951 wishes to dedicate this issue of the "Mac" to our principal, Mr. Baer. It was through his tireless efforts, patient planning, and encouraging spirit that our school was centralized. Mr. Baer has worked throughout his entire twenty years in McGraw to bring about the much needed change in our school system. Students who have attended school under him will always remember his kindness, patience and understanding when they needed advice the most. We feel that the dedication of this book is only a small token of our appreciation to Mr. Baer, the last principal of Union Free School and the first principal of McGraw Central School.

Adm'st.



Not Only Do the Taxpayers Speak . . . .

Left to right, sitting: Mrs. Corey, Mr. Baer, Principal; Mrs. Hulbert, Clerk; Mr. Reynolds, President; Mr. Lacy, District Superintendent; Mrs. Kinney.

Standing: Mr. Crozier, Mr. Ryan, Mr. Weishaupt, Mr. Gilbert.

At a school meeting following the announcement of the favorable vote on centralization the voters elected to have a 7-member board of education for the newly organized central district. They elected these people for the following terms of office: for a one-year term, Donald Ryan, a rural mail carrier of McGraw; R. Karl Reynolds, an insurance agent of McGraw, and Marion Gilbert, a farmer in the town of Solon; for a two-year term, Mrs. Irene Kinney, a housewife of Blodgett Mills and Mrs. Esther Corey, a housewife of Cortlandville; for a three-year term, Joseph Weishaupt, an operator of heavy machinery from the village of Solon, and Harold Crozier, a printer of McGraw.

This ratio, with the majority elected from the districts joining 13 to form Central School District No. 4, is designed to give the whole area the fair representation we wish to maintain.

The board has been in full length session overy thirty times since centralization took place last July 1. This service, of course, receives its compensation only in the satisfaction derived from serving the community and school. The attendance at these meetings has been excellent and the members have worked both faithfully and earnestly to maintain and improve high standards of education for the boys and girls of the centralized area.

Since centralization many new problems have come up and as a board we hope we have solved them to the best interest of all. It is our aim to do the best job for the boys and girls of the area as rapidly as we can on an economical basis that will not be burdensome to the taxpayers.

In our future undertakings we welcome and appreciate your criticism since we realize we were elected to represent you. At the same time we would like to ask your support in bettering the educational facilities and opportunities of our boys and girls.

R. K. REYNOLDS, *President*
Board of Education
McGraw Central School, District No. 4

. . . . but the Students Also Voice Their Opinions

First row, left to right: Elaine Berean, Russell Teeter, Jeannette Thomas, Gordon Teeter, Henry Wadsworth, Catherine Hammond.
Second row: Marilyn Fuller, Mr. Baer, Max Crozier.

November 12th the Student Council met and elected officers:

President ..... Gordon Teeter
Vice-President ..... Henry Wadsworth
Secretary-Treasurer ..... Jeannette Thomas
Advisor ..... Mr. Baer

The President of the Student Council is usually a Senior. The problems of the student body center around the planning of parties and extra-curricular activities. They also help plan paid and regular assembly programs. They made plans for the High School Christmas Party and the Yuletide decorations outside the school. The public was invited to the program which was made up of music by both the choruses and Band as well as a play put on by the 8th graders. Carol singing, directed by Miss Sarvay, was held in front of the school to open the program.

The Student Council also voted that they should pay for the medals and the engraving of the plaques to be awarded class night.

SCHOOL CALENDAR 1950-1951

September
22 Soccer Season starts
22 Marathon—there
27 Virgil—there
29 Homer—here

October
2 Cincinnatus—here
5 Truxton—there
6 Zone Conference—Elmira
11 Marathon—here
12 Columbus Day vacation
17 Homer—here
18 Cincinnatus—there
24—Truxton—here
26 Virgil—here
27 Junior Hallowe'en Dance

November
16 Senior play
17 Senior play
22 Thanksgiving vacation starts
28 Basketball Season starts
28 South Otselic—here

December
1 Cincinnatus—there
5 DeRuyter—there
8 Truxton—here
11 Tully—there
15 Virgil—here
20 Senior High Christmas party
21 Christmas Vacation starts
22 Christmas pageant

January
5 Marathon—there
9 South Otselic—there
12 Homer—here
16 Newark Valley—here
19 Cincinnatus—here

February
2 Truxton—there
6 DeRuyter—here
9 Virgil—there
13 King Ferry—here
16 Marathon—here
17 Music Festival at Marathon
23 Homer—there

March
12 Volleyball tournament—here
17 Faculty-Board of Education Dinner
22 Easter Vacation starts

April
20 Physical Education Demonstration
26 Drama Festival
27 Drama Festival
28 Drama Festival
30 Baseball Season starts
30 Truxton—there

May
3 Virgil—there
7 Marathon—here
9 Senior High Music Demonstration
10 Homer—there
11 Grade School Music Demonstration
14 Cincinnatus—there
18 Junior Prom
19 Truxton—here
21 Virgil—here
24 Marathon—there
28 Homer—here
30 Memorial Day vacation
31 Cincinnatus—here

June
22 Junior-Senior Banquet
24 Baccalaureate
25 Class Night
26 Commencement Night

As Our School System Has Grown,

Mrs. Hulbert, School Secretary

Left to right: Sandra Dolly;
Miss Entwistle, School Nurse

Betty Hines and
Miss Dwyer, Dental Hygienist

Left to right: Aden Gilbert,
Robert Warfield, Custodians

So Has the Maintenance Department

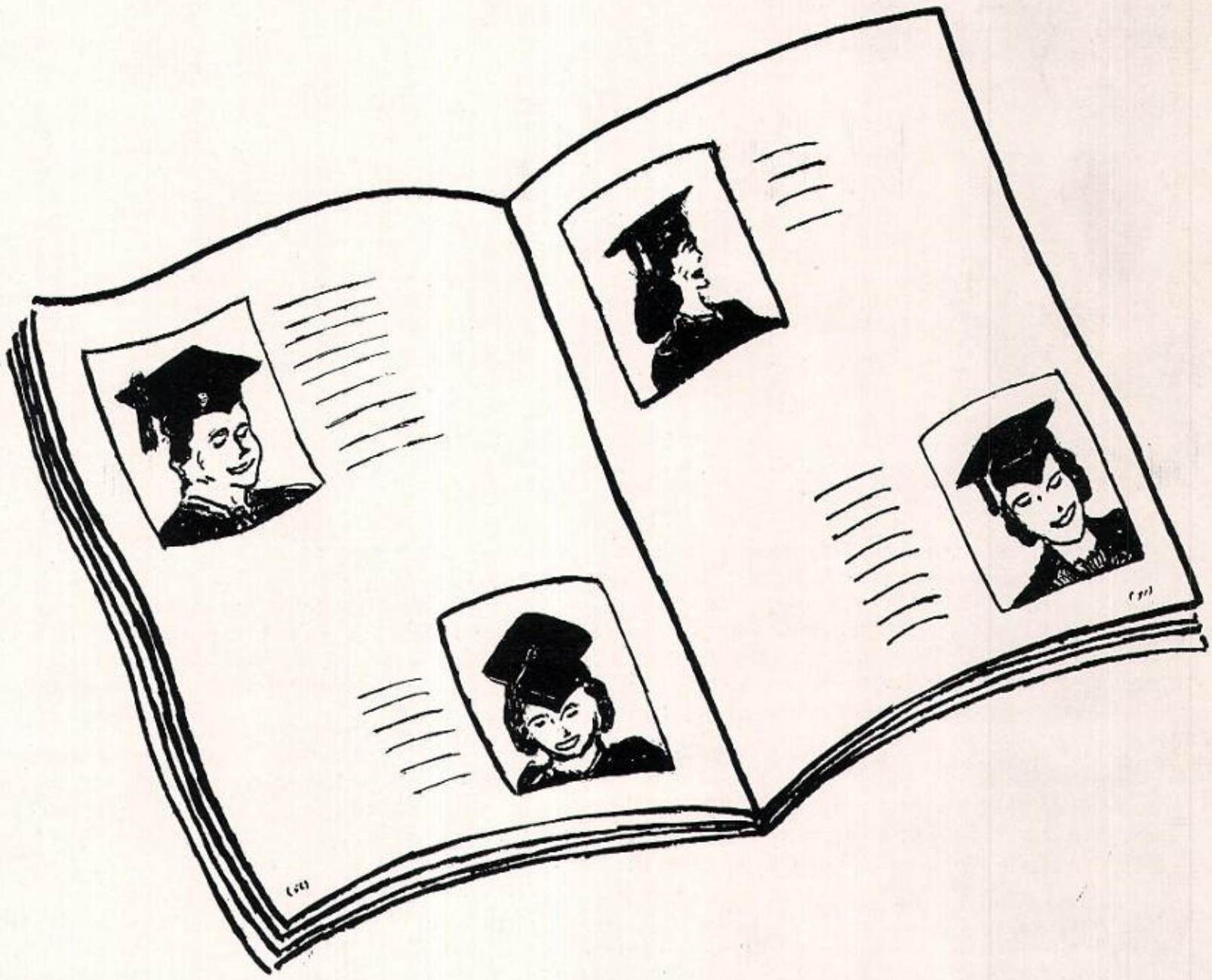
First row, left to right: Clarence Maybury, Everett Rulison, De Puy Freer, Aden Gilbert.

Second row: Richard Morgan, James Wildman.

FREDERICK STRONG
Substitute Bus Driver

Left to right: Janice Pittman, cashier; Mrs. Berger, cook; Joan McNamara, Pat Root, Bernice Bilodeau, assistant cook; Joyce Elwood, Medora Potter.

Seniors



This Is the First Class Under Centralization

GORDON D. TEETER
April 9, 1933
Baseball 2, 3, 4
Basketball 2, 3, 4
Soccer 3, 4
Track 2
Volleyball 2, 4
Drama Club 3, 4
Student Representative 3
Student Council President 4
Class President 4
Class Treasurer 3
F. F. A. President 4
Varsity Club 3, 4
"The Mac" 4,
Sports Ed.

FRED C. BILODEAU
July 4, 1932
Basketball 2, 4
Baseball 4
Soccer 4
Track 2, 3, 4
Volleyball 3, 4
Varsity Club 3, 4
Vice-President 4
Krook'd Korner 4
Drama Club 4
"The Mac" 4
Art Chairman

The senior class takes time to look back on their twelve years together. Of the present 18 members only Barbara, Charlotte, Paul, Gordon, and Robert began together in first grade. Gordon left for 1½ years and Robert for 2 years, rejoining the class later. In third grade, Douglas joined the group while Jeannette was added in the fourth. Carolyn came in the fifth year but the first large increase came in the sixth grade with Shirley, Philip, and Carol. Junior High brought Dale (who later left for about 2 years), Richard, Dickie and Bev. As sophomores we welcomed Freddie to our class. In the junior year, Malcolm arrived from England to become a "yankee". Our newest member, Pauline, came in our last year.

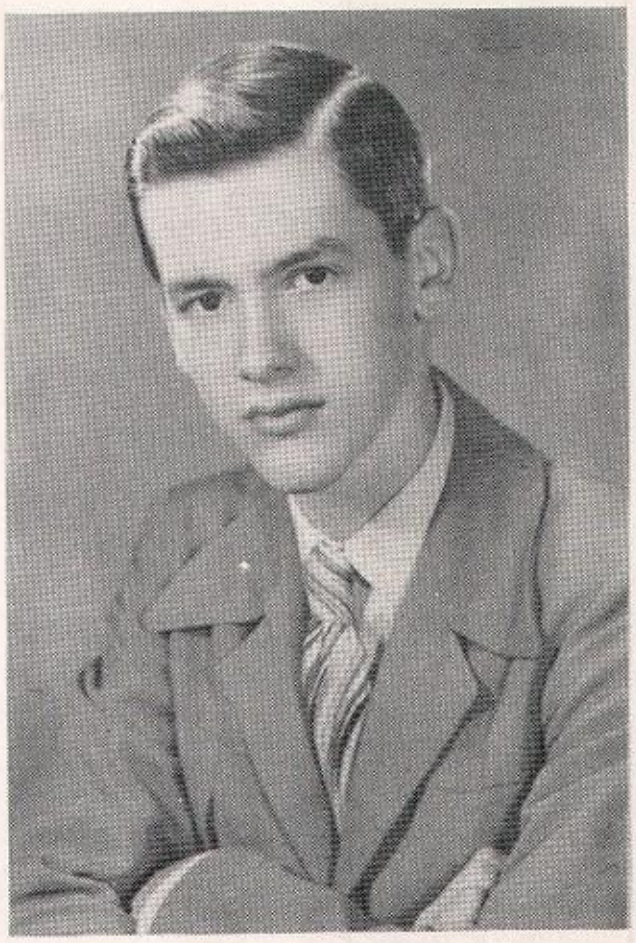
Our senior year found us ready to undertake a busy schedule. On November 16 and 17, we presented the three act play "The Divine Flora". The profits from this and from the after-game mixers brought the class treasury up to $584.24. On March 22, the class left for New York to enjoy the money we raised in our four years. With thoughts of graduation ahead, we chose blue and gold for class colors. The white carnation was picked as our flower and the motto was "The past is gone, the future yet unseen."

The officers of the graduating class were:

President ..... GORDON TEETER
Vice-President ..... FRED BILODEAU
Secretary ..... BARBARA OWEN
Treasurer ..... CHARLOTTE COOK
Student Council ..... JEANNETTE THOMAS
Class Advisor ..... MRS. NELLENBACK

The graduating class of 1951 wish to thank the teachers and parents who have made their promotion possible. We hope that we may fulfill expectations. It is our wish that future classes will enjoy the coming improvements in our school system.

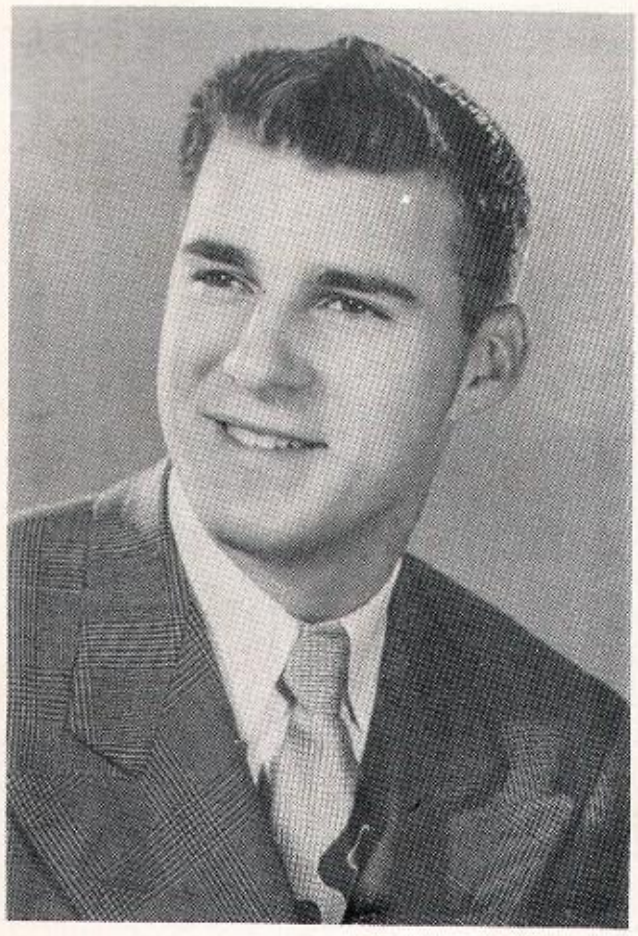
RICHARD ARLAND BODINE
August 26, 1933
Treasurer 2
"The Mac" 4,
Advertising



CAROLYN L. BROWN
May 27, 1932
Glee Club 1, 2, 3, 4
Band 2, 3, 4
Drama Club 3, 4
Secretary 3
Leader's Club 1, 2
Intramurals 1, 4
"The Mac" 4
Advertising

PAULINE ROSETTA CHASE
November 29, 1933
Drama Club 4
"The Mac" 4,
Advertising

CHARLOTTE LOUISE COOK
February 13, 1933
Glee Club 3, 4
Leader's Club 1, 2
Intramurals 4
Treasurer 1, 4
Drama Club 3, 4
"The Mac" 4
Typing
Advertising



DOUGLAS LEE FULLER
April 27, 1932
Rifle Club 1, 2, 3, 4
Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4
Soccer 1, 2, 3, 4
Baseball 1, 2, 3, 4
Varsity Club 1, 2, 3, 4
Glee Club 2, 3, 4
Volleyball 1, 2, 3, 4
Drama Club 3, 4
Junior Prom King 3
"The Mac" 4
Advertising
History of school

CAROL JOAN JENNINGS
October 7, 1933
Leader's Club 1, 2
Intramurals 1, 2, 4
Vice-President and
President 2
Drama Club 1, 3, 4
Glee Club 1, 2, 3, 4
Art Club 2
"The Mac"
Class Ed. 2
Assistant Editor 3
Editor 4

SHIRLEY ANN MARION
April 7, 1935
Leader's Club 1, 2
Drama Club 3, 4
Intramurals 1, 4
Glee Club 3, 4
"The Mac" 4
Advertising
Typing

ROBERT MULES
October 15, 1933
Drama Club 3, 4
Varsity Club 4
Glee Club 4
Student Council 1, 3
Track 3, 4
Baseball Manager 3
"The Mac" 4
Typing

PHILIP NIVER

January 10, 1932

Soccer 1, 2, 3, 4
Rifle 1
Varsity Club 1, 2, 3, 4
Bowling 1
Baseball 1, 2
Krook'd Korner Store 4

BARBARA JEAN OWEN

January 25, 1933

Vice-President 1
Secretary 3, 4
Leader's Club 1, 2
Cheerleader 1, 2, 3, 4
Drama Club 3, 4
Intramurals 1, 4
Glee Club 1, 2
Art Club 2
"The Mac"
Class Ed. 3
Typing 4
Advertising 4

BEVERLY CLAIRE ROOT

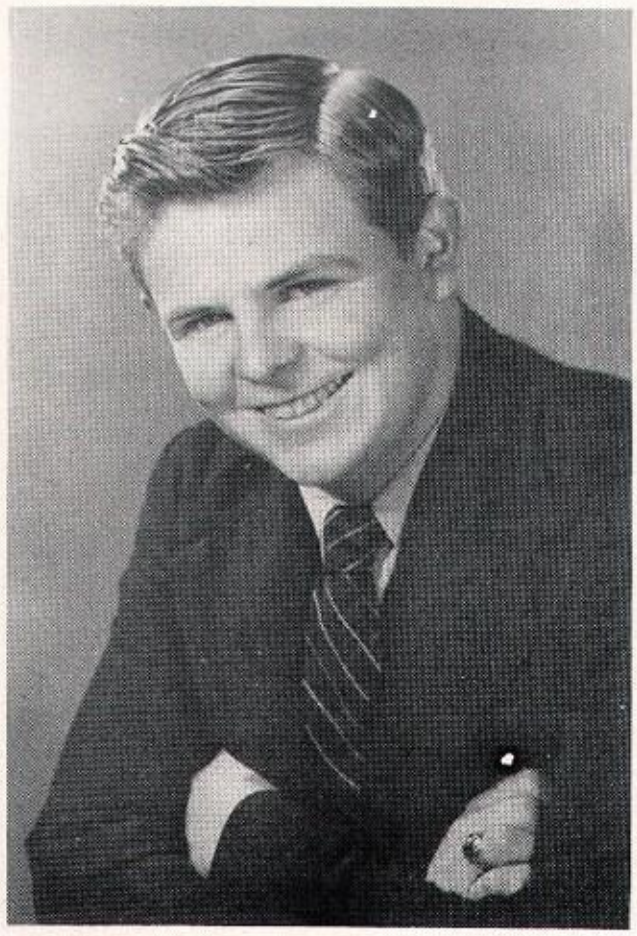
February 1, 1934

Secretary 2
Leader's Club 1, 2
Intramurals 1, 2
Drama Club 4
"The Mac" 4
Typing
Advertising

DALE CURTIS SMITH

March 10, 1933

Varsity Club 2, 3, 4
Soccer 1, 2, 3, 4
Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4
Volleyball 3, 4
Drama Club 4
Track 4



MALCOLM B. SYKES
June 20, 1933
Rifle Club 4
Soccer 3, 4
Varsity Club 3, 4
Glee Club 4
Vice-President 3
Drama Club 4
"The Mac" 4
Advertising

JEANNETTE LORRAINE THOMAS
April 10, 1932
Drama Club 3, 4
Secretary 3
Leader's Club 1, 2
Intramurals 1
Junior Prom Queen 3
Class President 3
Student Council 2, 3, 4
Secretary-Treasurer 4
"The Mac" 4
Art

RICHARD R. TOBIAS
January 9, 1934
Krook'd Korner Store 4
Drama Club 4
Track 4
"The Mac" 4
Art

PAUL WOTHE
April 7, 1933
Soccer 1, 2, 3, 4
Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4
Track 1, 2, 3, 4
Baseball 1, 2, 3, 4
Varsity Club 1, 2, 3,
President 4
Volleyball 2, 3, 4
Bowling 1
Drama Club 3, President
Rifle Club 3
Glee Club 4
Secretary 1

We Were Workers

The senior class presented their annual play, November 16th and November 17th, 1950, in the McGraw Central School Auditorium. The play was a Samuel French production, "The Divine Flora", written by Florence Ryerson and Colin Clements. The theme of the play was centered around a high school girl named Etta, whose nature tended to make her a wallflower. Buzz and Randy, high school boys, helped Etta to obtain popularity while spending the summer at Randy's cottage. As a reward for their help, Buzz and Randy hoped to win future jobs from Etta's father, a big advertising executive. The play was directed by Mrs. Heath and Mrs. Nellenback. The stage settings were planned and arranged by Mr. Freitag.

The committees were as follows:

Tickets—Shirley Marion, Dick Tobias, Dale Smith and Fred Bilodeau.
Makeup—Barbara Owen, Carol Jennings, and Richard Bodine.
Program—Gordon Teeter, Robert Mules, and Beverly Root.
Advertising—Carolyn Brown, Pauline Chase and Charlotte Cook.
Sound Effects—Douglas Fuller and Malcolm Sykes.

The cast was, in order of appearance:

Hal—Richard Bodine
Winnie—Charlotte Cook
Boops—Carolyn Brown
Stu Morgan—Douglas Fuller
Kit Olmstead—Shirley Marion
Etta Dean (Flora)—Jeannette Thomas
Randy Pryor—Paul Wothe
Mr. Pryor—Robert Mules
Mrs. Pryor—Carol Jennings
Buzz Rafferty—Philip Niver
Mr. Dean—Malcolm Sykes
Sharon Pryor—Barbara Owen
Bob—Fred Bilodeau
Wayne—Richard Tobias
Tex Arlan—Gordon Teeter
Polly—Carolyn Brown
Helena—Beverly Root
Marvelle—Charlotte Cook
Daphne Gillford—Pauline Chase
Mr. Dugan—Dale Smith
Susie—Beverly Root
Bella—Charlotte Cook

The class sold 287 adult tickets and 193 children's tickets. A strong gain was made in class funds with a profit of $306.80. The play was a great success and the class will always remember both the fun and work they had in producing it.

We Were Spenders

Senior Trip — New York

THURSDAY

4:00	A.M.	Breakfast at Barbara Owen's
5:10		Left McGraw
12:00		Lunch at Newburgh, New York
2:00	P.M.	Hyde Park
5:00		Arrived in New York
6:00		Dinner at Hectors Cafeteria
7:00		"Kiss Me Kate" at Schubert Theater
11:00		Tour of Pennsylvania Station

FRIDAY

9:30	A.M.	Statue of Liberty
11:00		Tour through Chinatown and U. N. Building
12:00		Empire State Building
1:00	P.M.	Radio program, "Live Like a Millionaire"
6:00		Dinner at "Ding Ho", a Chinese American Restaurant
7:00		Tour of R. C. A. Building Viewed "Royal Wedding" and on stage "The Rocketts"
11:00		Grand Central Station

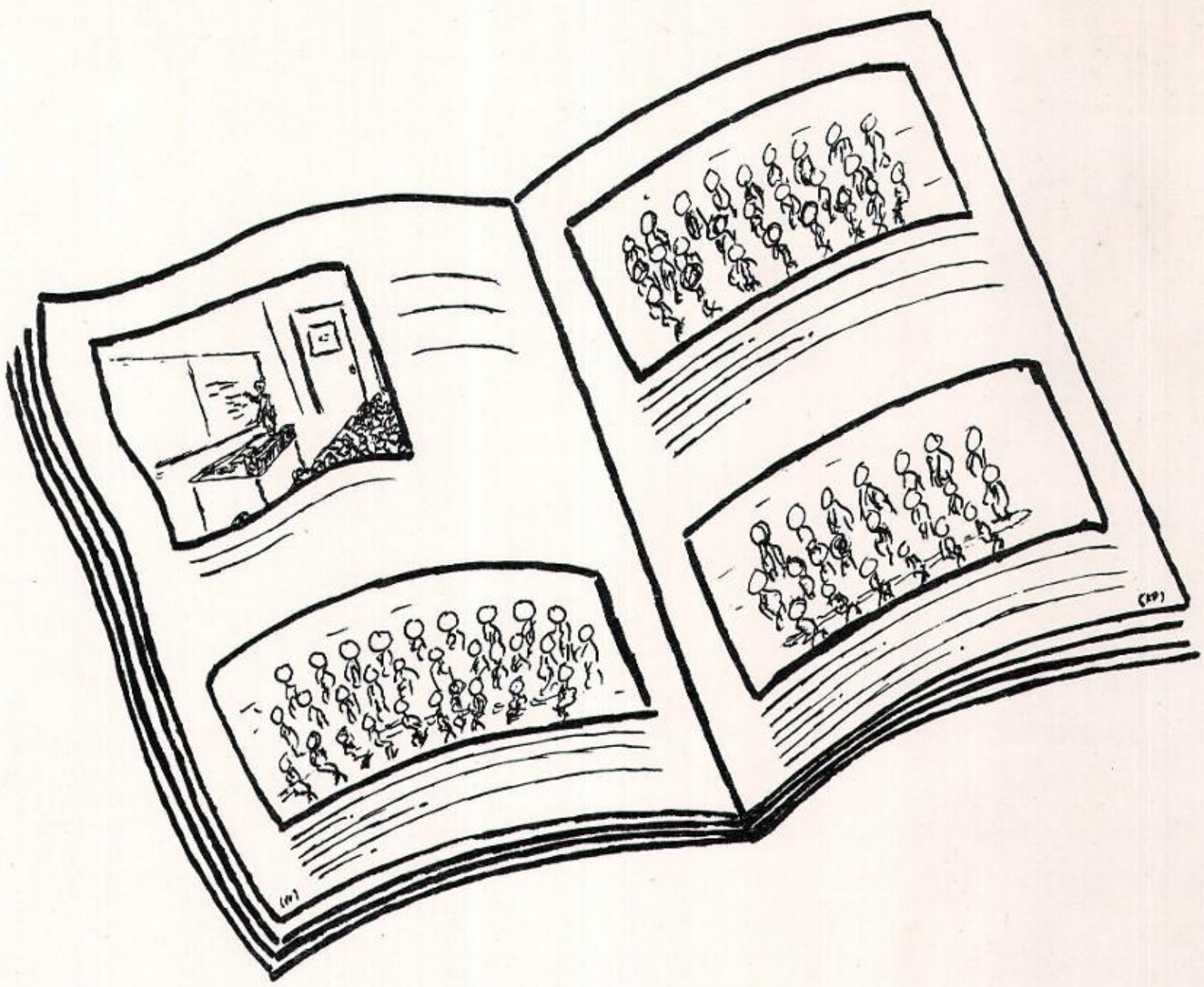
SATURDAY

8:30	A.M.	Art Museum
10:30		Shopping at Macy's
12:00		Lunch at Macy's
2:00	P.M.	Girls went shopping Boys—Museum of Natural History
7:00		One group went to Paramount Theater to see Billy Eckstine and Hugo Winterhaulter Other group went to a basketball game at Madison Square Garden

SUNDAY

8:30	A.M.	Riverside Church
10:30		Grant's Tomb Easter Parade
1:00	P.M.	Dinner
3:30		Left Lincoln Hotel
6:00		Lunch at Stroudsburg, Pa.
10:30		Arrived in McGraw

Classes



The Class of '52

First row, left to right: Dorothy Walker, Sylvia Nowalk, Barbara Wheelock, Patricia Owens, Carol Smith, Janice Pittman, Edith Hulslander, Milltreata Covington, Catherine Hammond.

Back row: Trevor Bilodeau, Leon Greenwood, Allan C. Bean, Howard Sink, Howard Shippey, Arnold Schink, Mahlon Pittman, Lee Goetcheus, Richard Crisfield, Bert Abdallah, David Elson, Henry Wadsworth, David Clark.

Having survived the bitter trials of the sophomore year, we emerged an active and confident class. We juniors are just beginning to come into the limelight but we are still conscientious about our homework. Preparing for the day we will be seniors we took a responsible part in such organizations as the Glee Club and Student Council.

President Henry Wadsworth headed a slate of officers which included Vice-President, Sylvia Nowalk; Secretary, Carol Smith; Treasurer, Robert Lakeman and Student Council, Catherine Hammond. Miss Seeley, class advisor and new faculty member, helped us greatly in promoting our junior activities. We welcomed Barbara Jacquin and Howard Sink to our class last September.

In October, we held a public Hallowe'en Dance with Speigle Wilcox's band. Our magazine sale netted us a profit of over $350. To help promote sales we divided the class into the blue and red teams with Trevor and Janice, respectively, heading the teams. The end of the sale found the blues having a slight edge over the reds. Our annual Junior Prom, featuring John McNeil's orchestra, was held May 18.

Among the awards bestowed on the juniors were the P. T. A. banner, the girls championship in soccer, volleyball and basketball.

Janice Pittman and Hank were chosen by our class to represent McGraw at the Syracuse Citizenship Day Conference. Janice was also picked to go to Girl's State.

By the end of the year, we consider ourselves qualified to take on the senior responsibilities.

The Class of '53

First row, left to right: Beverly Hayes, Shirley Williams, Camilla Heath, Joan Allore, Florence Johnson, Joan Belknap, Jane Cobb, Joan Lakin, Shirley Bishop, Elizabeth Teeter, Medora Potter, Marilyn Fuller, Joanne Card.

Second row: Stanton Doran, James Brown, Carl Kimberly, LeRoy Jennings, Howard Baer, John Goetcheus, John Talbot, George Hicks, Richard Wilson, James Gilbert, Robert Russell, Russell Teeter, Donald Briggs, James Beattie.

This year the Sophomores blossomed out for their first big business year.

Marilyn, Harriet, Shirley, Camilla, Joan Allore, Joan Belknap, and Bobby Russell sold hot dogs, pop and candy at the soccer games. The class was divided into groups to share the work. The same refreshments plus potato chips were sold at the basketball games. Bob Zirbel made himself and his car useful by fetching and carrying refreshments and empty pop bottles. We also sold pencils featuring the basketball schedule. At present our profits total $150.

One classmate, Beverly Hayes was very ill during the year. To cheer her up, we sent a sunshine basket.

The Sophomores and the Seniors have had a neck and neck race for the scholarship banner. We have both had it twice. The averages for the first two quarters were as follows:

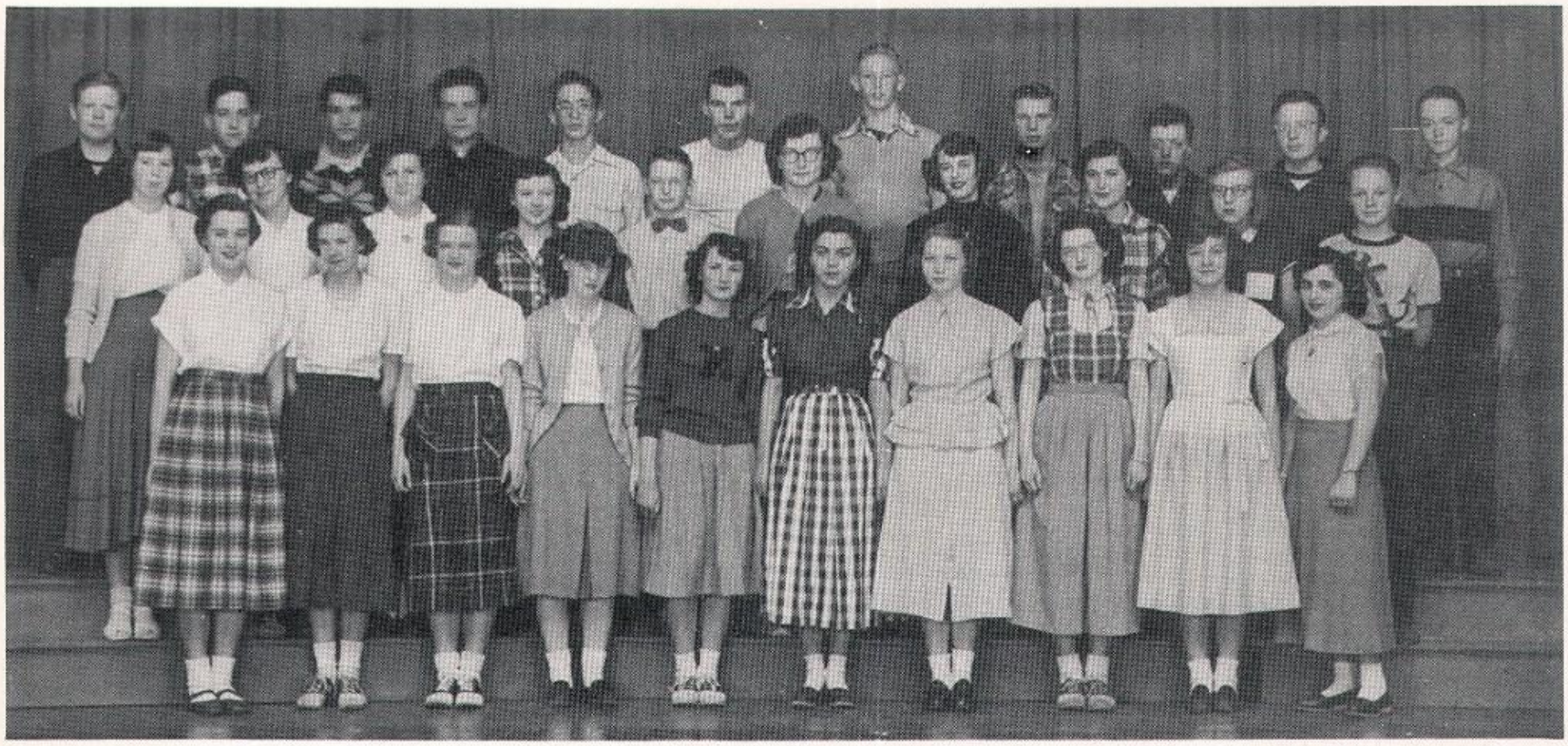
1st quarter —	Sophomores	79.9	2nd quarter —	Seniors	78.6
	Seniors	79.6		Sophomores	77.2

We did not do as well on the P. T. A. banner. To win the P. T. A. banner our parents must help us.

Our class officers are as follows:

President	Russell Teeter	*Secretary*	Jack Talbot
Vice-President	Robert Russell	*Student Council Representative*	Marilyn Fuller
Treasurer	Shirley Bishop	*Class Advisor*	Mr. Guy

The Class of '54



First row, left to right: Phyllis Wheelock, Alice Henry, Elaine Berean, Betty Niles, Marlea Underwood, Mary Barnes, Elaine Mules, Nancy Talbot, Bertha Heath, Beverly Thomas.

Second row: Shirley Russell, Ruth Schink, Katherine Williams, Geraldine Fitchner, Max Crozier, Joan McNamara, Barbara Head, Joyce Elwood, Doris Hall, Robert DeWalt.

Third row: Gordon Sykes, Charles Byron, Leslie Warren, Rollan Elwood, Robert Jacobi, Kenneth Roundy, Milton Allen, William Ackley, Charles Niles, Philip Snyder, Donald DeWalt.

Absent: Marjorie Corey.

The Class of '54 entered high school 34 strong. Although we've lost Janet Smith, Gerald Adams, Gerald Rulison and Richard Niver, we still held our own numerically. When Russell Knecht returns from Florida, we will number 35, the largest class in high school.

Our first activity of the year was the election of officers. They are as follows:

President ..... Max Crozier
Vice-President ..... Geraldine Fitchner
Secretary ..... Beverly Thomas
Treasurer ..... Marjorie Corey
Student Council Representative.....Elaine Berean
Class Advisor ..... Mrs. Heath

We can't boast much of our scholastic record as our average was lowest of the four classes at the end of the first quarter. We gained one place, however, in the January tests.

We are all proud of the record of Bob and Donald DeWalt, who have held high honors in our class for the first two quarters as well as Max Crozier for being on the honor roll for the first quarter. Nine students the first quarter and 14 students the second rated honorable mention. By June we are hoping to be at the top scholastically and have the scholarship banner.

Musicians, athletes and cheerleaders are quite numerous from our class. In soccer we were represented by: Philip Snyder, Gordon Sykes, Max Crozier, Charles Niles, and Richard Niver; in basketball: Max Crozier, Charles Byron and Charles Niles. Elaine Berean, Marjorie Corey, Phyllis Wheelock were the Freshman Cheerleaders. Freshman Musicians are in both the Junior and the Senior bands. They include: Senior band members, Nancy Talbot, Phyllis Wheelock, Max Crozier, Philip Snyder, Charles Niles and William Ackley. In the Junior band are: Robert and Donald DeWalt. Glee Club members total 12 girls and 7 boys.

In December, trying to contribute to the Christmas festivity as well as to relieve the crowded cafeteria, the Freshman decorated the Library with Christmas colors and lighted candles for the special Christmas dinner. Music over the P. A. System was a pleasant accompaniment.

For Brotherhood Week we prepared Zona Galis' play "The Neighbors" which was presented with the permission of the Viking Press. Later, we repeated the play at the March P. T. A. meeting. Included in the play cast were: Grandma, Beverly Thomas; Mis' Abel, Phyllis Wheelock; Mis' Moran, Ruth Schink; Mis' Trot, Marlea Underwood; Peter, Kenneth Roundy; Ezra Williams, Charles Niles; Mis' Ellsworth, Elaine Berean; Inez, Marjorie Corey.

1950-51 has been a good first year. However, we plan to make 1951-52 even busier and more profitable for the class.

Eighth Grade

First row, left to right: Richard Weishaupt, Eric Gabrielson, George Ferris, Robert Tobias, Harley Weishaupt, David Feint.

Second row: Mary Crompton, Addie Gensen, Shirley Falso, Viola Schink, Dorothy Monroe, Mary Lou Chandler, Patricia Root, Patricia Stone, Adela Gollner, Jeannette Sycuske, Barbara Mules, Roberta Bacon, Joan Greene, Constance Hammond, Elsie Adams.

Third row: Robert Allen, Mary Wasilenko, Sandra Stone, Juanita Byron, Eda Mae Burton, Esther Kelley. Mary Lou Allore, Nancy V. Smith, Bettie Hines, Sonia Brown, Carl Allen, Lawrence Stuttle.

Fourth row: Edward Strack, Thomas Powers, Charles Ardis, William Sweet, Ralph Hollenbeck, James Connelly, Frederick Haven, Franklin Sycuske, Harry Cook, Gary Garner, Lee Bush, David Goddard.

Seventh Grade

Back row, left to right: Donna Connelly, Carol Hoose, Beverly Nauseef, Janice Strack, Delores Crozier, Loretta Boyce, Gladys Haven, Robert Cooper, Harley Stevens, Neil Tinker, Marianne Lont, Linda Hall, Pauline Briggs.

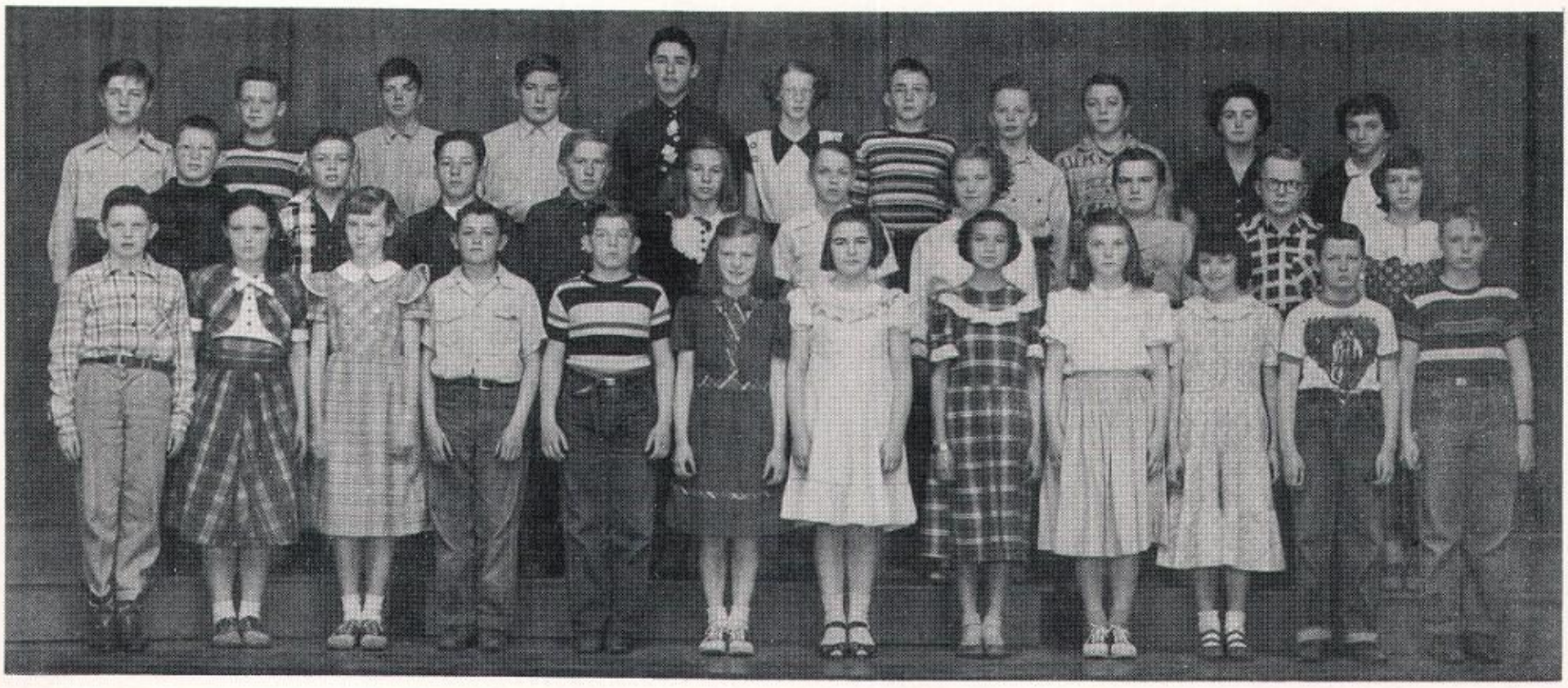
Second row: Betty Hayes, David Reynolds, Marjorie Barnes, Nancy Lea Smith, Doris Ann Clark, Anna Sturdevant, Patricia Teichert, David Crandall, Clyde Cook, Adrian Grant, Robert Hines, G. Arthur Cox, Betty Jane Davenport.

First row: Marjorie Monroe, Ann Monroe, Patricia L'Hommedieu, Dorothy Elson, Judith Halloran, Vivian Russell, Jacqueline Belknap, Walter Grant, John Clark, Malcolm Gilbert, Clyde Bordwell, Gloria Kelley, Deanna Root, Sylvia Ryan, Martha Heller, Ethel Henry, Helen Strickland, Barbara Niver.

Seated: Gene Connelly, John Stafford, Donald Niver, James Goetcheus, Robert Phillips, James Niles, Robert Tobias.

Absent: Everett Parker, Alice Perkins.

Sixth Grade

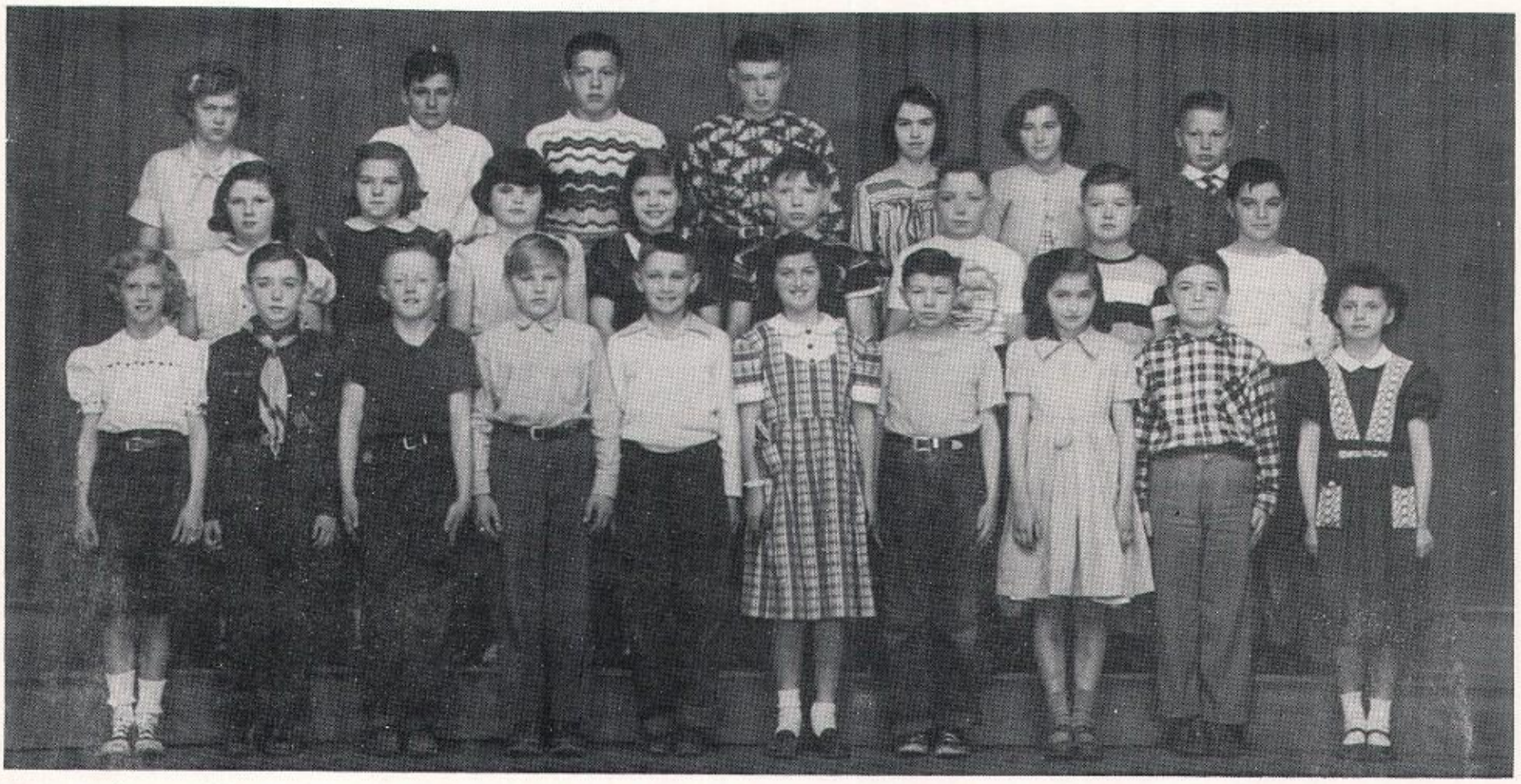


Back row, left to right: Felix Hicks, Robert Geesey, James White, Otis Phillips, Paul Hicks, Janice Craft, James Brown, Evan Hulbert, Richard Strickland, Lois Stevens, Charlotte Smith.

Middle row: Richard Jacobi, Richard Allis, Raymond Owens, Robert West, Joyce West, Kenneth Baer, Lorena Jackson, Russell Elwood, William Thomas, Sandra Ferris.

Front row: James Ray, Genevieve Ryan, Rosalee Turner, John Scranton, Norman Jennings, Betty Potter, Eva Phillips, Dorla Thompson, Virginia Potter, Sharon Hammond, David Niles, Richard Hopkins.

Fifth Grade

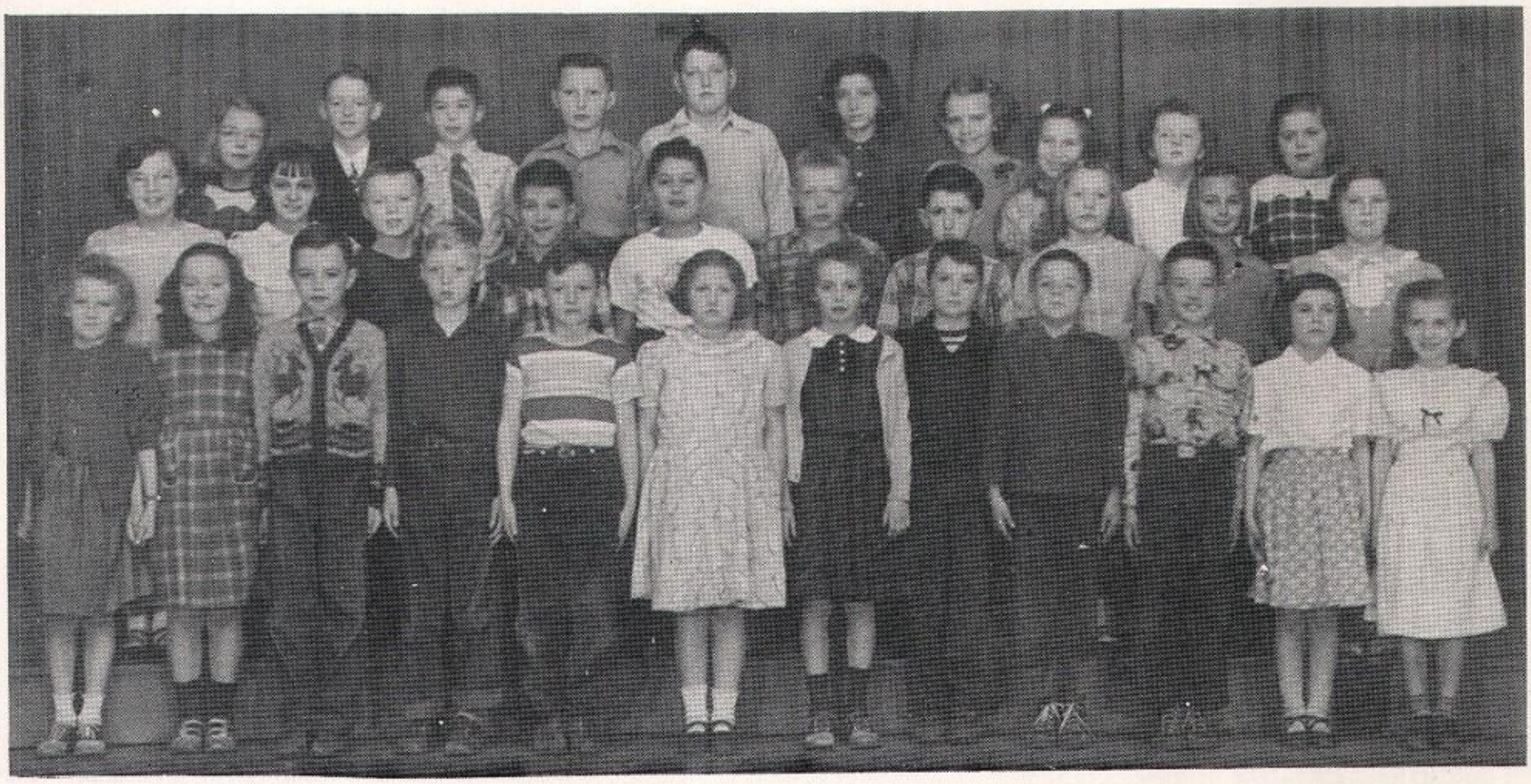


Back row, left to right: Sally Falso, Robert Wood, Carmen Falso, Kenneth Stevens, Lucy Bartholomew, Barbara Russell, Gerald Campbell.

Second row: Cheryl Reynolds, Betty Hulslander, Vesta Hines, Carole Berean, Scott Halloran, Donald Owens, James Caufield, James Ferris.

First row: Aileen Phillips, Ronald Smith, Charles Niver, John Loope, Robert Card, Janice Towsley, Robert Adams, Mary Fitch, Dale Greenman, Sharon Winfield.

Fourth Grade



First row, left to right: Sharon Connelly, Joyce Ryan, Gary Fox, Donald Dominger, Jack Ray, Jane Feint, Barbara Gates, Eugene Russell, Phillip Hammon, Robert Steven, Judith Ferris, Diane Hall.

Second row: Nancy Reif, Constance Garner, Robert Niver, Richard Albro, John Nauseef, Donald Fuller, Gerald Osborn, Beverly West, Joyce Stover, Patricia Crisfield.

Third row: Sandra Bement, Robert Craft, Lawrence Bartholomew, Ronald Congdon, Franklyn Hollenbeck, Edith Wood, Johanne Salisbury, Eva Thompson, Carol Bilodeau, Diane Allis.

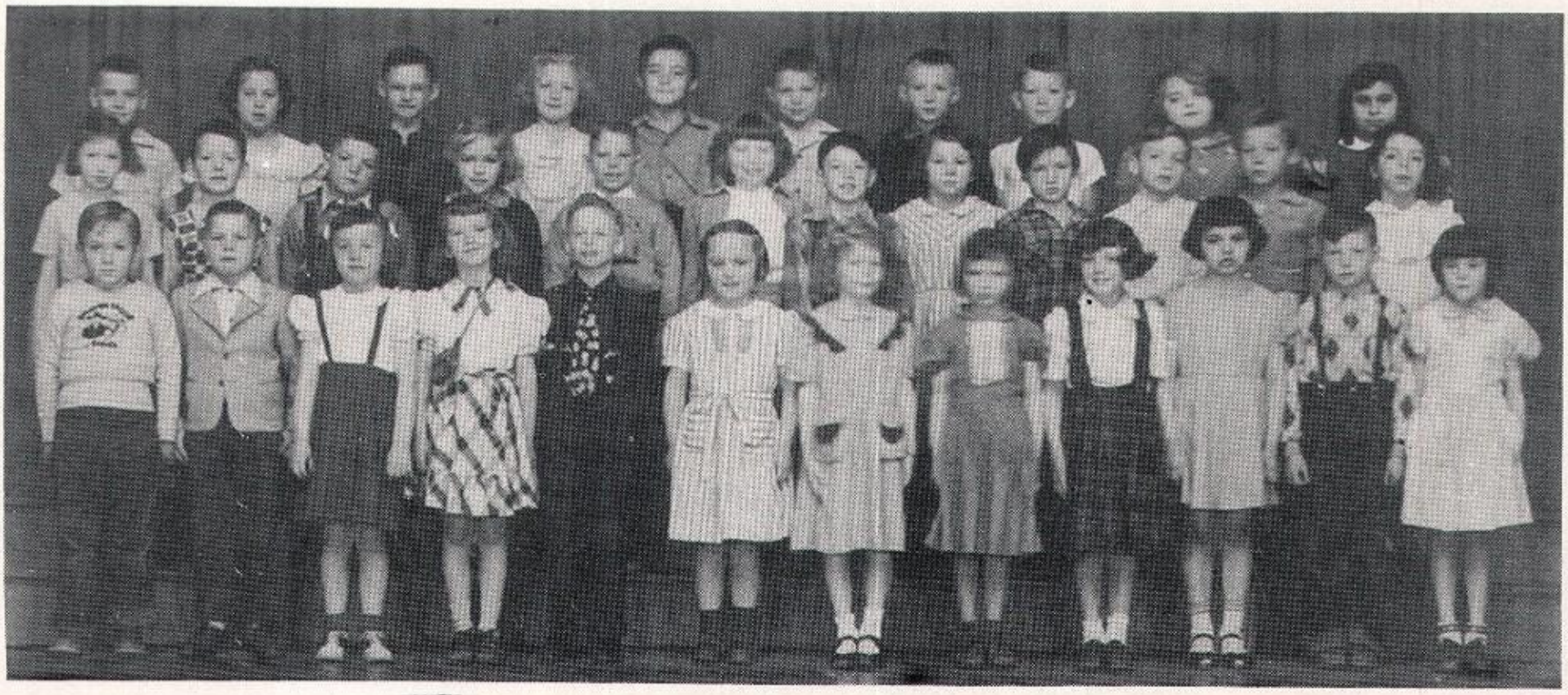
Third Grade

First row, left to right: Ruth Cranson, Helen Ferris, Joan Owens, Leon Beattie, Nancy DeFlyer, Jane Owens, Charles Card, Billy Wright, Geraldine Walburn, Catherine Mules.

Second row: Judy Hotchkiss, Gary Francis, Terry Ogden, Sandra Falso, Roxanna Atkins, Gary Roe, Priscilla Schink, Richard Osborne, Dennis Halloran, Katherine Loope.

Third row: Richard Fuller, Karen Teichert, Cecile Wood, Wilma Heath, Carol Albro, Terry Zirbel, Eugene Barker, Sylvia Congdon, Gladys Bartholomew.

Second Grade



First row, left to right: Leon Cook, David Crisfield, Margaret Holmes, Dianna Fox, Louis Isch, Joan Strickland, Mary Sykes, Winifred White, Vivian Byron, Jane Ferris, James Potter, Sherrill Hammond.

Second row: Nina Bartholomew, Donald Brown, William Francis, Barbara Moore, John Campbell, Delores Mallery, Michael Collins, Janice Wood, Daniel White, Charles Greenman, Robert Fuller, Cynthia Hopkins.

Third row: Gary Wheelock, Sandra Dolly, Donald Torrey, Maxine Caldwell, Richard Hicks, Gerald Congdon, Donald Russell, Richard Rood, Pearl Phillips, Judith Nauseef.

Absent: Nancy Dominger, Donald West.

First Grade

Back row, left to right: Douglas Mules, Maria Teichert, Laura Heath, Martin Gabrielson, Patricia Wood, Sylvia Hopkins, Gene Wood, Joan Osborne, Arthur Walrath, Charles Brown, Pauline Hobart, Ida Tobias, Darlene White, Jalna Atkins.

Front row: Donna Smith, Kay Allis, Elenita Bean, Donald Smith, Gary Sink, Rose McNamara, Linda Winfield, Bonnie Schink, Sharon Schellinger, Dale Sheeder, Adrianne Rood, William Schaff, Delores Potter, John Walburn, Roland Bingham.

Absent: Linda Howe, Richard Byron.

Kindergarten

Front row, left to right: Bonnie Bingham, Dixie Oliver, Janet Thompson, Roberta Mallory, Lloyd Jones, Raymond Russell, Sally Jo Massingill.

Center row: Judy Wildman, Helen Gensen, Mary Ann Rice, Nylotis Willis, Floyd Kenyon, Lee Bement, Paul Bennett, James Haley.

Back row: Ronald Dolly, James Hotchkiss, Douglas Mason, Bonnie Snyder, Larry Winfield, Dailene Bean, Janice Streeter.

Carr Hill School

First row, left to right: Pamela Root, Edmund Lyon, Seymour Nicholson, Walter Kelley, Nina Nicholson.

Second row: Rosaletta Root, Nita Kelley, Velma Kelley, Karen Root, Edna Nicholson, Sandra Root.

MRS. CORA PHILLIPS

Blodgett Mills School

First row, left to right: John Rumsey, James Bacon, Ronald Carr, John Davenport.

Second row: Donald Carr, Rodger Ardis, Alice Kinney, Lonnie Davenport, John Heller, Lida Kinney, Brian Teeter, Phyllis Holmes, William Davenport, Lawrence Henry, Walter Carr, Peter Stone.

Third row: Amanda Andrews, Jean Morgan, Thomas Toronto, David Beiter, Wesley Kinney, Richard Gardner, William Cobb, Nancy Kinney, Marilyn Doty, Marcia Owens, Joan Sawyer, Linda Bell, Janie Owens.

MRS. JOSEPHINE FOREMAN
Grades 1, 2

First row, left to right: David Powers, Clifford Allen, Adrian Teeter, Mary Ann Davenport, Carole Lee Pettet, Nettie Kinney, Judy Freer, Patricia Henry.

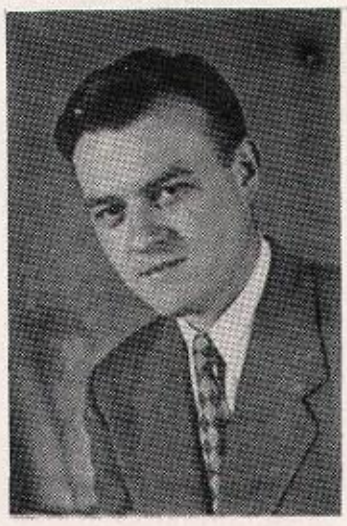
Second row: George Carr, Judy Brown, Stewart Doty, John Kinney, Betty Brown, David Keller, Gail Friedah, Frank Smithkins, Jr., Robert Davenport.

MRS. LENA GREENMAN
Grades 3, 4

Blodgett Mills School

First row, left to right: Robert Gardner, Kenneth Henry, Donald Davenport, Gerald Allen, Joan Powers, Douglas Brown, James Allen, Richard Stafford, Raymond Allen, Robert Goddard.

Second row: Gary Beiter, Beverly Cox, Beatrice Kinney, James Brown, James Kinney, James Cornell, Nancy Stone, Mary Lou Kroberger, Stuart Freer.



MR. CHARLES ALLEN
Grades 5, 6

Hoxie's Gorge School

First row, left to right: Steven Cole, Sharon Loftus, Jean Smith, Alberta Larson, Robert Cole.
Second row: Donald Cole, Emmett Cole, Leroy Smith, Cecil Smith, Claude Cole.

MRS. ELLA DOCKSTATER

Tayntor School

First row, left to right: Roger Monroe, Sandra Burnap, Marilyn Bacon, Ruth Carson, John Brown, Billy Youngs, Gloria Nefsey.

Second row: Jerald Wildman, Wesley Morris, Robert Hamilton, June Morris, Ray Carson, Jane Parker, Robert Baker, Lewis Gensen, Donna Youngs.

MRS. LOLA DOTY
Grades 1-3

First row, left to right: Thomas Monroe, James Updyke, Lyle Bush, Gary Edgecomb, Richard Nauseef.

Second row: Douglas Morris, Herman Morris, Joyce Parker, Salley Elliott, Patricia Holmes, Floyd Hotaling, Michael Nauseef.

MRS. VASTINE DAVIS
Grades 4-6

Baker School

MRS. AGNES TALBOT

First row, left to right: Annice Stafford, Joan Perkins, Danie Underwood, Constance Christie, Jean Belknap, Joan Brown.

Second row: Robert Brown, Sylvia Underwood, Anne Harris, Sharon Stafford, Russell Brown, Joyce Perkins, Gary Underwood, Donna Williams.

Third row: Kay Brown, Ray Brown, James Perkins, Robert Atkins, Robert Fitch, Robert Pickert, Robert Harris, Norma Briggs.

Absent: Mary Harris.

Shearer District (North Road)

First row, left to right: Joyce Clark, Margaret Nowalk, Robert Nowalk, Violet Greenleaf, Gordon Burgess, Chester Hayes, Lester Bordwell, Gary Clow, Gloria Goodell.

Second row: Fred Burgess, Pearl Hayes, Gene Nowalk, Elsie Hayes, Ann Walker, Karl Pudney, Donald Clark, Mary Clark.

Absent: George Walker.

MRS. MARY FISH

They Help Us in Our Early Years

MRS. FRANCES ROWE
Kindergarten

MRS. NORMA RUSSELL
Grade 1

MRS. MARGARET WADSWORTH
Grade 2

MISS BETTY ALLEN
Grade 3

MISS SYLVIA BROWN
Grade 4
Advisor: Brownies

MRS. MARY M. DAVIS
Grade 5

MISS GRACE MANNING
Grade 6

MRS. EUNICE METCALF
Junior High Math
and English
Advisor: Seventh and
Eighth Grade

MRS. HELEN F. BREWER
Social Studies 7-8
Advisor: Seventh Grade

MRS. MILDRED HOPKINS
Junior High English
and Math
Advisor: Eighth Grade

Our Grade School in Action

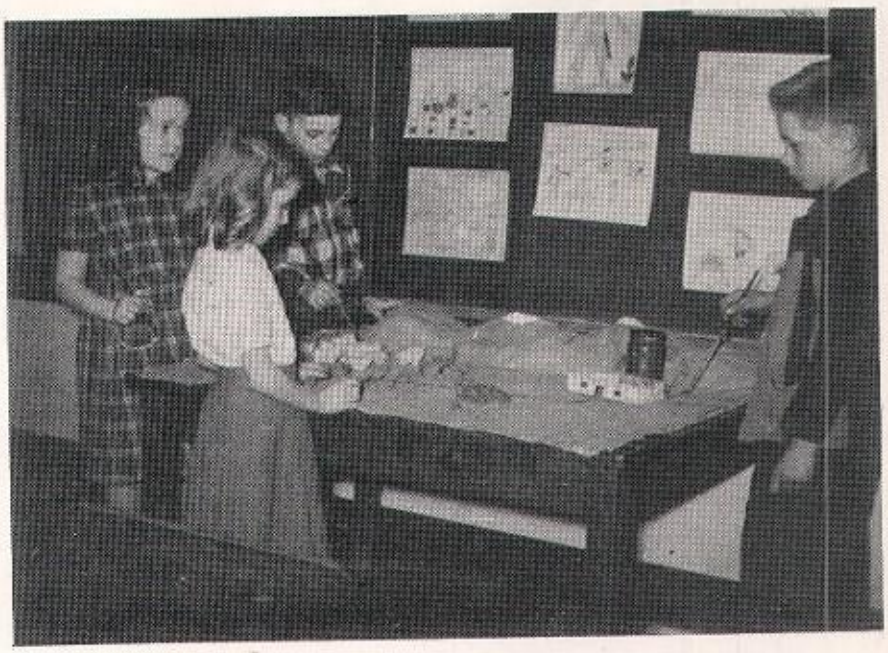
Off we go! Kindergarten enjoys their miniature airplane.

A free reading period! The first graders look forward to them.

Left to right: Maria Teichert, Martin Gabrielson, Kay Allis, Elenita Bean, Douglas Mules, Laura Heath, Bonnie Schink.

"He will make your Easter bright and gay." The Easter bunny stopped to read a storybook in the reading nook of the second grade.

Left to right: Sandra Dolly, Donald Brown, Margaret Holmes, Leon Cook.



Social Studies can be fun when you learn by doing. Fourth graders painted a Navaho village in connection with their textbooks.

Left to right: Richard Albro, Joyce Ryan, Diane Hall, Donald Fuller.

Cowboys and Indians! Third graders prepare silhouettes for a wall mural.

Left to right: Leon Beattie, Helen Ferris, Roxanna Atkins, Jane Owens, Judy Hotchkiss, Charles Card.

Our Grade School in Action

What do we get from our South Central States? Miniature floats make the fifth grade studies much more interesting.

Left to right: Barbara Russell, Cheryl Reynolds, Jerry Campbell, Carole Berean, Scott Halloran, Donald Owens, Robert Card.

Punch and Judy. The sixth graders make their own puppets.

First row, front to back: Charlotte Smith, Rosalee Turner, Eva Phillips.

Second row: Norman Jennings, Evan Hulbert, Lois Stevens.

The seventh grade is placing the cupola on a replica of the New York Central College of McGrawville, 1848-1859.

Left to right: Patricia L'Hommedieu, Gene Connelly, James Niles, Vivian Russell.

Sales going up! In order to finance a trip to Albany, May 11, the eighth grade sold paper products.

Left to right: Thomas Powers, Nancy Smith, Viola Schinck.

Romance? Adventure? The seventh grade illustrated their Prose and Poetry stories.

Left to right: Harry Cook, Ida Burton, James Connally, Dorothy Monroe.

Nous parlons . . . Scribimus

"Yankee Doodle" in Latin helps liven monotonous conjugations and declensions.

Sitting, left to right: Elaine Berean, Max Crozier, Joan McNamara, Robert DeWalt, Nancy Talbot, Philip Snyder.

Standing: Charles Byron, Phyllis Wheelock, Donald DeWalt.

"Regardons ces braux tableaux!" As we strive to learn more about France.

Sitting: Richard Crisfield, Miss Seeley, David Clark.

Standing: Sylvia Nowalk, Carol Smith, Miltreata Covington.

The foreign language department, headed by Miss Grace Seeley, offers French and Latin to the students of M. C. S. Each of these languages has a special purpose. While the objective of Latin is to acquaint the student with English words derived from Latin and various Latin phrases used in science, law, religion, math and music, the main objective of French is to skill the student in the reading and speaking of that language.

Although Latin is a "dead language", it is well worth studying. Latin class usually opens with a vocabulary drill. The remaining time is used either to translate or learn something new. Sometimes the class sings Latin; plays vici, a game like bingo; or figures out latin crossword puzzles.

French class is conducted in much the same manner. By taking French there is an opportunity to learn more about France and its customs. Some of the French students correspond with people in France.

The Latin II class was chosen to represent the language department at the fair this year. The students decided to show how Latin helps in other subjects by the use of posters and booklets which they made.

MISS GRACE SEELEY
French and Latin
Advisor: Junior Class, Brownies

With Centralization . . .

We will keep all our fires small.

Left to right: Kenneth Roundy, Milton Allen, Gordon Sykes.

Is this hen worth keeping?

Left to right: William Ackley, Howard Sink, Leslie Warren, teacher, Arthur Brokaw.

How much butter fat in this sample of milk?

Left to right: Gordon Teeter, Richard Wilson, Russell Teeter.

. . . Came the Ag Department

Sharp tools do a good job.

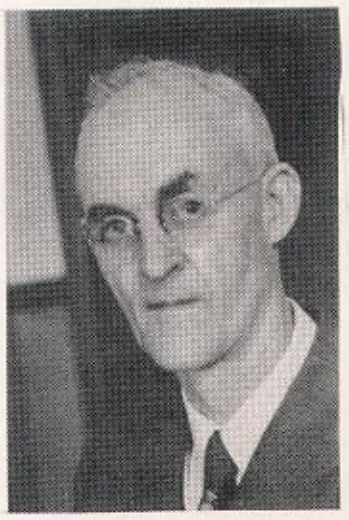
Left to right: Franklyn Haven, James Beattie.

The McGraw School again has an Agriculture department after eight years. Thirteen boys are enrolled: one senior, one junior, six sophomores, and five freshmen. Only five of these boys really work or live on farms. Classes in agriculture I, II, and IV are being taught but we have been handicapped by the lack of a shop.

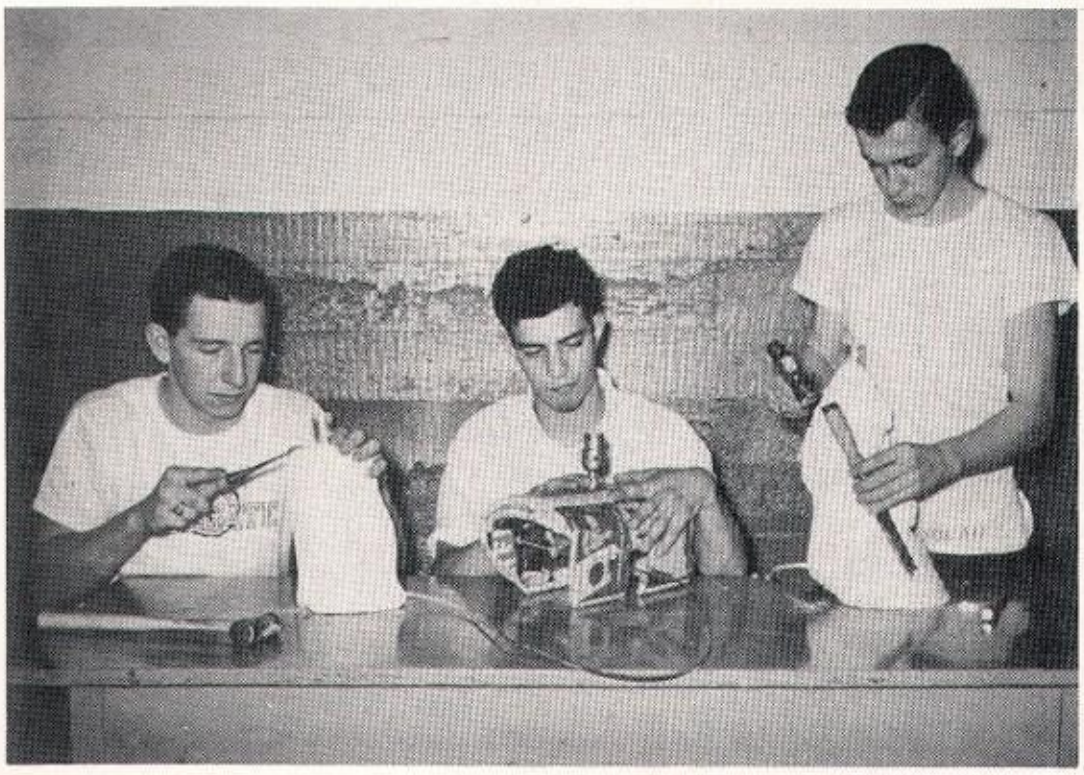
The classes took trips to Farm and Home Week at Cornell and to the farms of Ray DeHart, Glenn Alexander, Dennie Wilson, Bob Christopher, the Towslee pig farm, and several others. The boys have learned many interesting and useful things. It was fun to test the soil of our fields to see if they needed lime and to test the milk from our cows to find the results of the butterfat test. Some of us learned how to pick out the cull hens from our flocks. We visited several dairy barns to determine what a satisfactory, convenient dairy barn should be like and then noted what improvements our own barns needed. We tried to find out all the different things that would help us produce more milk per cow and so make more money. We are also interested in learning about the principles of management that would help make farm business more successful. Taking a farm inventory, keeping farm accounts, and making out farmers' income tax returns were other topics on which we worked.

In the coming years, the Ag department hopes to expand its program. It aims to prepare school boys for a more scientific way of farming.

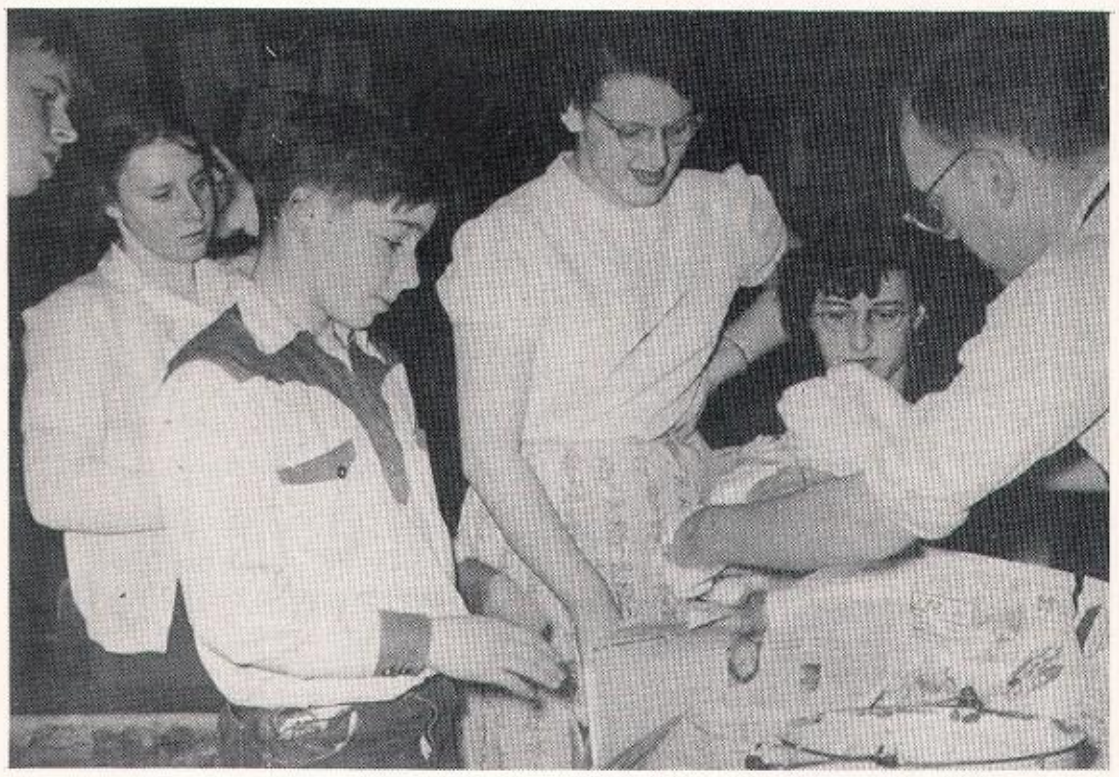
MR. ARTHUR BROKAW
Agriculture
Advisor:
McGraw Booster's 4H Club
McGraw Future Farmers
of America



For Creative Development . . .



Modeling their plaster of paris lamps are:
Left to right: Paule Wothe, Bert Abdallah and Fred Bilodeau.



Mr. Freitag making a plaster of paris mold using Doug Fuller as his model.

Left to right: Fred Haven, Vera Thorton, Harley Weishaupt, Ida Mae Burton and Patricia Root.

Constructing and painting papier mâché animals.

Sitting, left to right: Fred Bilodeau, Paul Wothe, Dale Smith.

Standing: Richard Tobias, Malcolm Sykes, Mr. Freitag, Douglas Fuller, Bert Abdallah.

. . . Art

Working a string puppett is Richard Tobias.

Watching are, left to right: Malcolm Sykes, Dale Smith and Douglas Fuller.

Imagination is a wonderful attribute. A child, given the opportunity, can use his imagination to create with his hands. Art gives him this opportunity. This year the boys and girls in the Art Department have discovered new experiences and have shown their powers of creation through the completion of many projects.

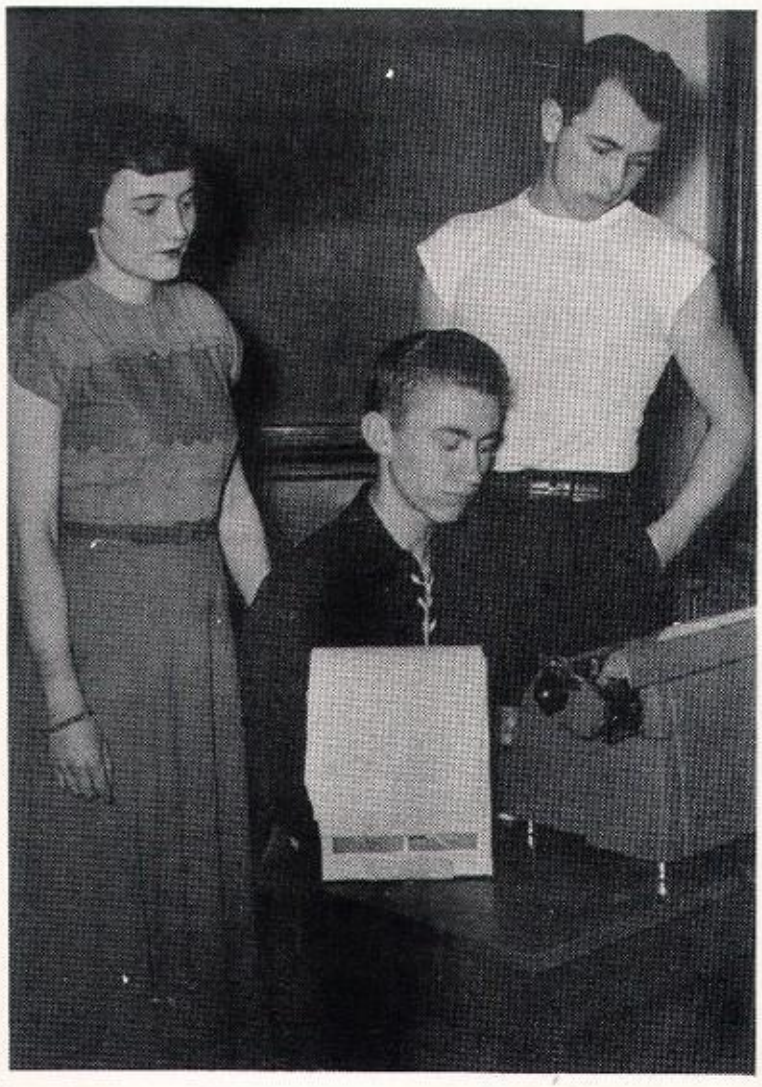
Art is not a period of play; it is a period of growth where each has to rely on his own thoughts and ingenuity. Although we have been cramped for space and lack of materials, we found that many common place articles could be substituted. Glove puppets were made from paper and wallpaper paste. Paper bag puppets were constructed from paper bags, shoe boxes, wire, yarn, string and other materials. Plaster of Paris offered the opportunity of seeing plaster face casts constructed, and a chance to carve with a medium other than wood. Given a piece of colored paper, paste, and scissors, three dimensional designs and pictures were made. In each project the child had no examples to see, nothing to copy and yet, each was not only pleased but perhaps surprised to discover his ability and "hidden talents".

In the high school art courses, the students have created several projects which have been enjoyable as well as educational. In mechanical drawing, the students adapted themselves to an elementary course of industrial design. The group then proceeded to such timely projects as problems of modern industry and mass production through designing tools, modern homes and furniture.

The general art course introduced the students to the basic elements of printing and design, and work was done on finger painting. They also constructed life-like animals through the medium of papier-mache, and designed lamp bases, linoleum blocks, textile stencils and prints. The class then went outside to do water colors as well as realistic paintings.

MR. FRIETAG
Art
Adult Education Art Class

Today Commercial Students . . .



Trying out the new electric Remington Rand typewriter placed in the school for educational purposes by the Ithaca Office Equipment Company.

Left to right: Jeannette Thomas, Robert Mules, Gordon Teeter.

Sales demonstration by the students of the Salesmanship class at the Krooked Korner Store being supervised by the instructor.

Left to right: Mr. Guy, Shirley Marion, Fred Bilodeau, Richard Tobias, Philip Niver.

Saving time and work by completing part of an assignment on a Remington Rand electric ten key adding machine that was left at the school for educational purposes.

Left to right: Patricia Owens, Charlotte Cook, Beverly Root.

. . . Tomorrow Businessmen

Completing a practice set in bookkeeping.

First row, left to right: Barbara Jacquin, David Clark, Mahlon Pittman, Janice Pittman, Patricia Owens.

Second row: Dorothy Walker, Carol Smith, Catherine Hammond, Shirley Stevens, Miltreata Covington, Edith Hulslander.

The Commercial Department offers a variety of subjects. In general business, pupils acquire business knowledge which they will use in their everyday life and learn to understand the importance of business in today's world. This course gives to the ninth grade student a realization of the value in advanced business training.

Bookkeeping and accounting are designed for those students who wish to enter the commercial field in the future. It can be used for those who desire a knowledge of the subject for personal use, or desire an introductory course to prepare for further study.

The business law students found textbook theory put to practice when they visited the city courts. Through this, they have learned the legal aspects of everyday, personal business activities.

The business management and salesmanship are both half year courses. The Krook'd Korner store has been operated for two years by these classes. School supplies and athletic equipment are sold throughout the year. The profits are used for a trip by the two classes. Through this practical application, the students have a better understanding of business organization and distribution. They learn to respect the needs and wants of the consumer.

Typing is of value, not only for its personal use, but also as a help in preparing the student for office work as well.

Business courses are being recognized more and more for their practical value in everyday life.

MR. JOHN GUY
Commercial
Advisor:
Sophomore Class
Krook'd Korner Store

The Mother of Modern Language . . .

Left to right: Richard Niver, Ronald Elwood, Bob Jacobi, Kenneth Roundy.

Mrs. Heath has high praise for the help given by the Freshman Class, whose home room is the Library. The students find time for the necessary work of charging, mending, and lettering books.

Left to right: Mrs. Heath, Nancy Talbot, Marlea Underwood, Marjorie Corey, Betty Niles.

English Club stress democratic organization. A tape recording of a program gives students an opportunity for self-criticism.

Left to right: Phyllis Molyneaux, Evelyn Schink, James Gilbert, Jack Talbot.

. . . English

The reading of plays, student chosen and directed, develops understanding of some problems of play production. Besides, it's fun!

Left to right: Carol Smith, Trevor Bilodeau, Barbara Wheelock, Henry Wadsworth, Allan Bean.

During the four years of English, we try to include as units, considerable work, that, in larger schools is presented, in greater detail, as separate courses. For example, this year in English II we have studied some principles of journalism; in English III we have stressed American literature; in English IV we gave some time to principles of social psychology in the light of which we have sonsidered social problems presented in life situations and in current literature. English clubs call for study of parliamentary procedure; programs call for both initiative and cooperation.

Just as, according to the ancient saying, "All roads lead to Rome", we hope all the English by-paths lead to better reading, writing, speaking and listening habits: in a word to the growth of the individual in a democracy.

MRS. MARY S. HEATH
English 9-12
Advisor:
Freshman Class
Drama Club
Senior Play
Librarian

With Centralization . . .

This seems like a good way to win a man!

The girls in the Home Economics department are demonstrating the way of good cooking.

Left to right: Doris Hall, Barbara Head, Alice Henry.

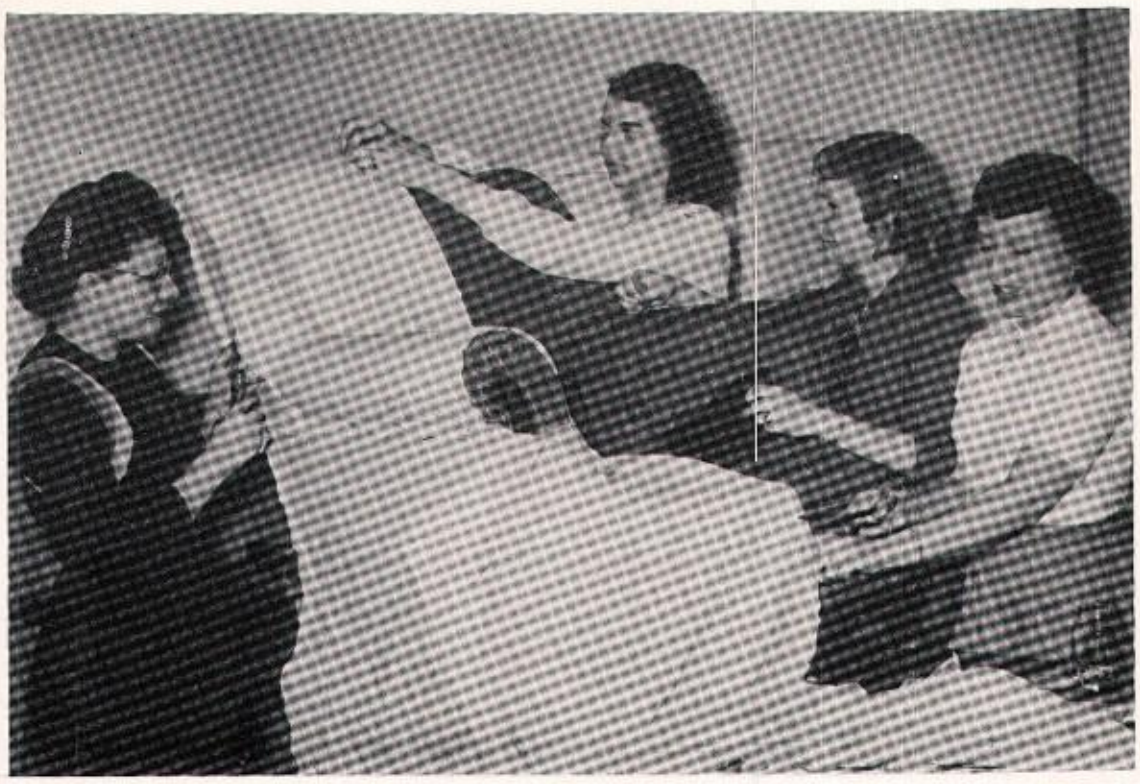
Interesting results often are produced when the Home Ec. director comes into the scene.

Left to right: Beverly Thomas, Bertha Heath, Mrs. Bickford.

Steady hands and interest are a credit to any Home Economic department.

Left to right: Joan Lakin, Shirley Williams, Jane Cobb, Beverly Hayes.

. . . Came the Home Ec Department



A Royal Throne seems to bloom within the midst of this classroom.

Left to right: Pauline Chase, Shirley Marion, Charlotte Cook, Barbara Owen.

This year the schedule for the Homemaking department has been a busy one. Since the beginning of the school term, new equipment including sewing machines, a steam iron, and chairs has been in use. The eighty-four girls included in this department have taken advantage in operating and using this equipment. Meanwhile, the classroom has fairly buzzed with excitement as many students who had never before known the beauty of hand creation have turned out articles of clothing that would pass for nothing less than miraculous.

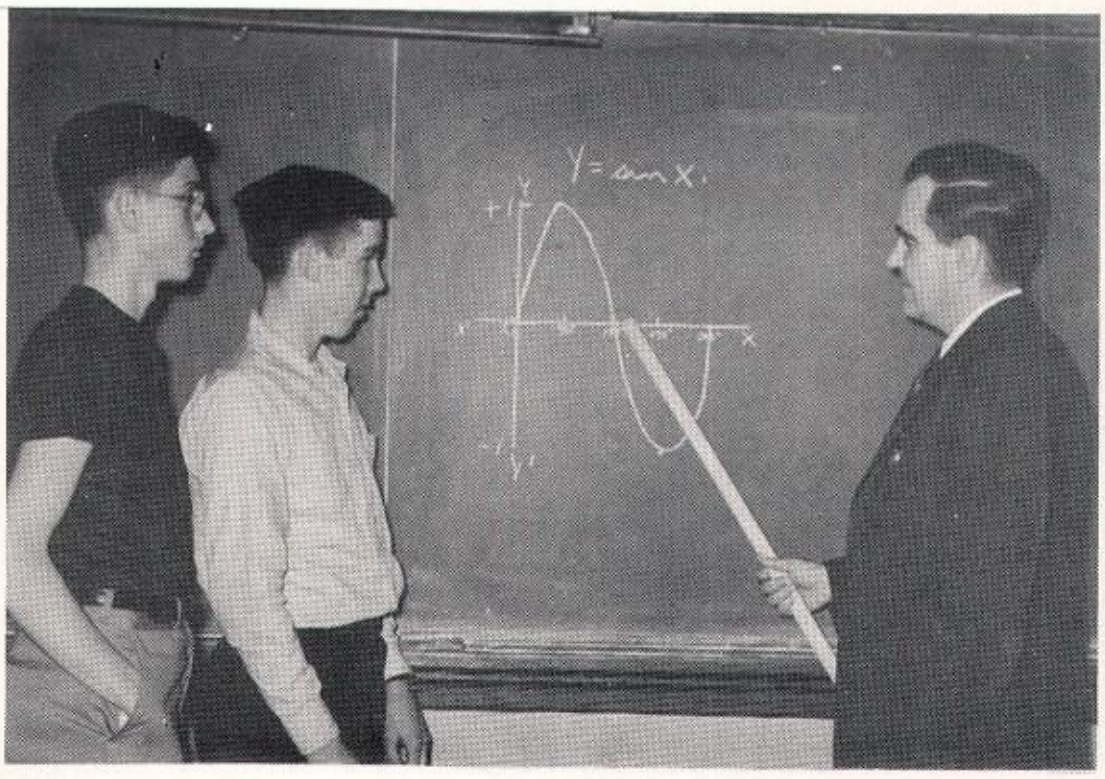
According to Mrs. Bickford, who is teaching the subject, the girls are not only going to be beautiful on the outside, but also healthy on the inside. Thus, the many wonders involved in the art of cooking and eating have been studied and practiced. The results have been amazing!

Activities during this school term have included a trip taken to Cornell University during Farm and Home Week, which was held during the week of March twentieth. Here, the students watched useful demonstrations, listened to lectures, and viewed many interesting displays. Other activities have included the serving of the Christmas dinner for the school cafeteria and preparing and serving party refreshments for the organization meeting of seventh and eighth grade teachers of our supervisory district.

This year is the first in the history of McGraw schools that Home Economics has been taught. Classes are held in the room that once served as an office for the athletic department and as the department now functions, most of the cooking has to be done in the kitchen of the school cafeteria. With the anticipated new school, opportunities for a bigger and better department are expected.

MRS. EDITH BICKFORD
Home Economics

Study + Accuracy



Lee Goetcheus and David Elson get a close-up view in Trig. class. Prof. Howe is holding the stick.

Howard Baer, Camilla Heath, Jack Goetcheus and Evelyn Schink do some "shadow reckoning" in plane geometry.

Charles Byron, Elaine Mules, Nancy Talbot, Phyllis Wheelock, and Philip Snyder try to figure out a "tough one" in algebra.

= Math

The General Math. class looks at some of their home made lantern slides, illustrating geometric design.
Standing: Joyce Elwood, Charles Niles, Elaine Mules, Betty Niles.
Seated: Mary Barnes, Robert Jacobi.

The curriculum of the Math Department consists of general math, elementary algebra, plane geometry, intermediate algebra and trigonometry. In these times of scientific progress and atomic energy, the Math department attempts to help fit students for society. In many of the specialized branches of the armed forces, a knowledge of mathematics is of great benefit. Careful emphasis is placed in math on clearness of thought, neatness, and accuracy. All these are certainly qualities we should possess.

The general mathematics course, given in the ninth year, is especially designed for those students who plan on taking no further math. In this course an attempt is made to acquaint the students with the general ideas of math, and to equip them with sufficient math to get along in later life.

In geometry, the emphasis is being placed more and more on sound reasoning and trying to teach the students to think more clearly. In the more advanced courses, care is taken to prepare the students for college as well as to give them practical "every day" working knowledge of the subject matter.

MR. WILBUR J. HOWE
Vice-Principal
Mathematics
Extra-curricular Treasurer

"Make Mine . .

First row, left to right: Norman Jennings, Beverly Nauseef, Robert DeWalt, Carol Berean, Raymond Owens, Kenneth Baer.

Second row: James Brown, Robert Card, Eugene Barker, Richard Jacobi, Charles Card, Patricia Teichert, Mary Lou Allore, Lois Stevens, John Nauseef, Evan Hulbert, Scott Halloran, James Ferris, Richard Hopkins.

Third row: Robert Stevens, Dorothy Elson, Nancy Smith, Alice Perkins, William Thomas, Carol Bilodeau, Sandra Bement, Donald DeWalt, Malcolm Gilbert, James Caufield.

Standing: James Ray, Donald Owens, Miss Laura Sarvay.

First row, left to right: Norman Jennings, Carol Berean, Richard Hopkins, George Ferris, Kenneth Baer.

Second row: Marianne Lont, David Reynolds, Carolyn Brown, Barbara Wheelock, Henry Wadsworth, Leon Greenwood, Lee Goetchus, James Ferris, Scott Halloran, Raymond Owens, Nancy Talbot, Phyllis Wheelock.

Third row: Janice Strack, James Brown, Philip Snyder, Mahlon Pittman, Eugene Barker, Jack Talbott, Robert Card, David Elson, Janice Pittman, Loretta Boyce, Delores Crozier, Max Crozier, Charles Niles, James Brown, James Caufield, James Goetchus, Howard Baer.

Fourth row: Carl Kimberly, Robert Phillips, Robert Cooper, Miss Laura Sarvey, Harriet Moore, Eric Gabrielson.

. . . Music"

First row, left to right: Bertha Heath, Joanne Card, Camilla Heath, Alice Henry, Barbara Head, Elaine Mules.

Second row: Carolyn Brown, Florence Johnson, Sylvia Reynolds, Elizabeth Teeter, Shirley Russell, Shirley Bishop, Ruth Schink, Elaine Berean, Charlotte Cook, Mary Barnes, Miss Laura Sarvay, Harriet Moore.

Third row: Catherine Williams, Janice Pittman, Carol Jennings, Joan Belknap, Joan McNamara, Shirley Marion, Carol Smith, Joan Lakin, Phyllis Wheelock, Joan Allore, Patricia Owens.

Fourth row: Robert DeWalt, Charles Niles, Charles Byron, Leon Greenwood, Malcolm Sykes, Mahlon Pittman, Paul Wothe, Douglas Fuller, Henry Wadsworth, Robert Mules, Philip Snyder, Donald DeWalt.

Centralization has already affected the Music Department, for in order to make music available to all the students within the district it was found necessary to have separate vocal and instrumental teachers. Mrs. Bentall teaches singing to the children in the first eight grades in the main building and to the six grades in the branch schools. She has done much to foster an interest in good music among the younger students.

Miss Sarvay is in charge of the Glee Club and instrumental music—Senior and Junior Bands. She is kept busy every day giving lessons to McGraw's aspiring young musicians.

The Senior Band accompanied the McGraw Firemen in their parades at Norwich and Whitney Point. The band played for numerous assembly programs and for the Minstrel Show at McGraw and McLean, participated in the Cortland County Music Festival, presented its annual Spring Concert, and marched in the Memorial Day Parade.

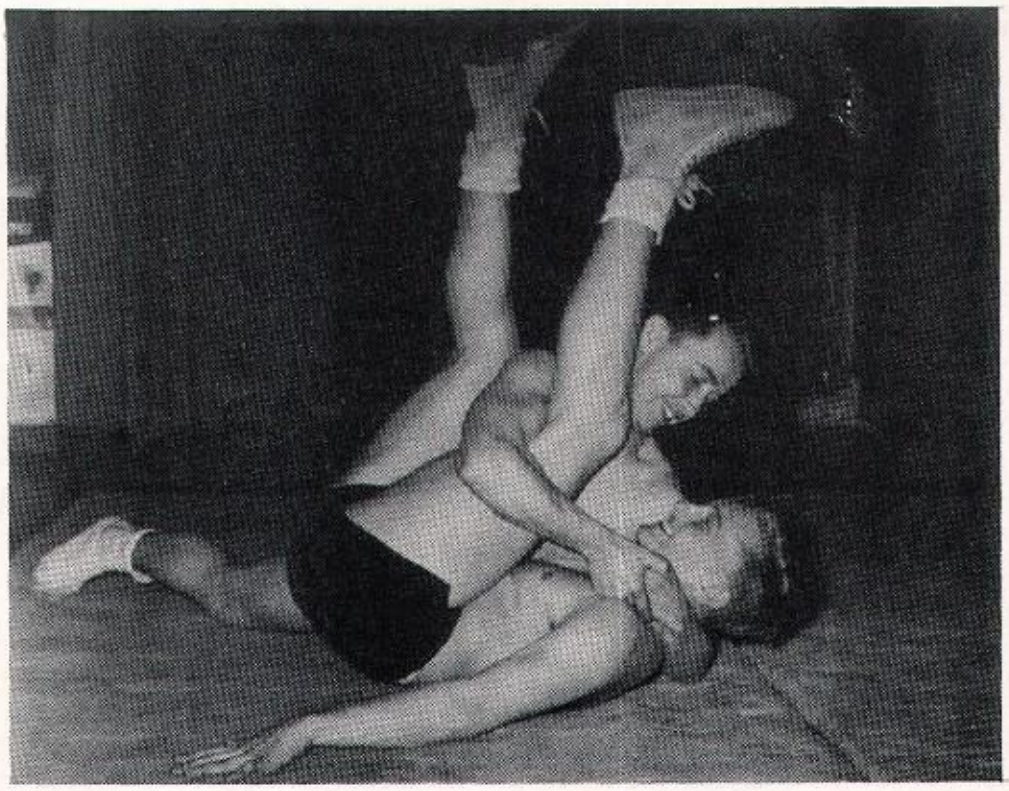
The Junior Band, consisting of the instrumentalists of the lower grades, trains students for membership in the Senior Band. It also participated in the Spring Concert.

A keener interest in Glee Club has been shown this year by both boys and girls. The chorus of forty mixed voices sang in the County Festival at Marathon and in the Spring Concert.

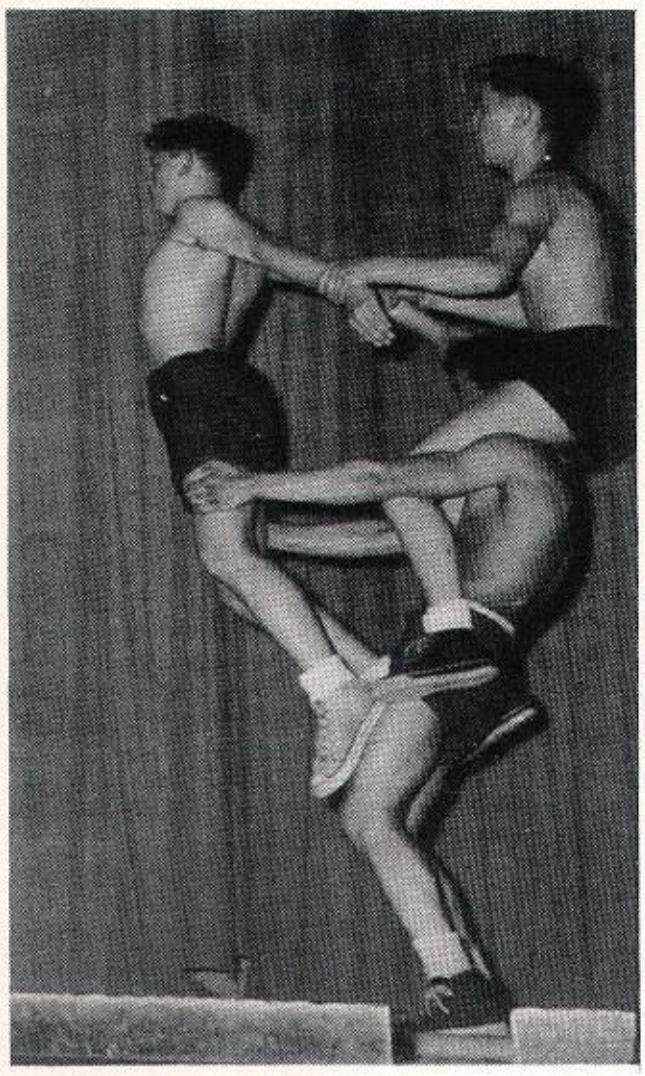
MRS. DOROTHY BENTALL
Grade School Music

MISS LAURA SARVAY
Instrumental Music
Glee Club

Brawn . . .



GORDON TEETER and DICK CRISFIELD
Learning Wrestling Techniques



Robert Mules, Jimmy Brown and Bert Abdallah demonstrate a double thigh stand

During the three seasons of the school year a variety of activities were carried on in the Boys' Phys. Ed. Dept. In the fall, they participated in soccer and football games. When old man winter arrived and forced them inside, the time was spent in playing basketball and volleyball. At the close of the winter months, the boys tried their hand at tumbling and wrestling. After the long awaited spring months arrived, softball and different track events were practiced.

In April, the boys participated in the annual Physical Education Demonstration. Tumbling was the main exhibition given by them.

The boys gym classes learn the necessity of muscle co-ordination and good sportsmanship. Individual skills can be developed with practice.

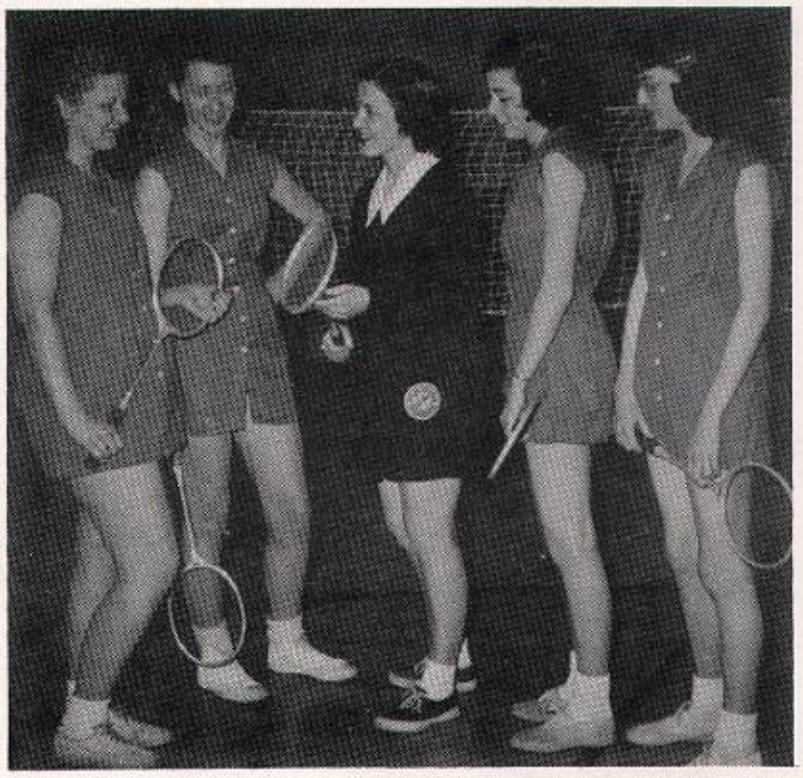
The boys regret the leaving of their coach, Charles Berchen and wish him the best of luck in his future work.

MR. CHARLES BERCHEN
Boys' Physical Education Coach
Advisor: Varsity Club

. . . As Well As Brains

Exhibiting her skillful serve to fellow classmates, Bev Root practices for the Sports Day ping pong tournament.

Left to right: Jeannette Thomas, Beverly Root, Shirley Marion, Carolyn Brown.



Gaining further instruction in badminton, the gym class prepares to start an early morning game.

Left to right: Jane Cobb, Joan Lakin, Mrs. Bradley, Shirley Bishop, Joan Allore.

The purpose of the physical education classes is to provide opportunities for the pupil to develop coordination, poise, physical ability, and to provide noonhour recreational activities for the girls. In the health classes, we learn the daily routine necessary for healthful living such as rest, a balanced diet, and exercise.

For improving poise and posture as well as teaching rules and good sportsmanship, Mrs. Bradley puts her physical ed classes through a rugged schedule. After basic rules and skills have been developed in the various sports, the girls put the principles to work. Early in the fall, the soccer fans flocked outside for many lively games. As the mercury began to drop, the girls moved inside to greet enthusiastically one of their favorite sports, volleyball. Following volleyball playoffs, the classes turned to basketball where class teams were set up competing for the championship. Badminton, ping pong, and darts also drew their share of participants. Modern dancing was introduced at M. C. S. this year. A group of interested girls participated in the Physical Education Demonstration centering their exhibition upon the Charleston, folk, square, and ballroom dancing. By the time the cold weather had disappeared the girls had developed grace and agility in all of these activities.

As the thermometer again began to rise, the girls turned to the out-of-doors. Archery enthusiasts were found on the upper half of the playground, while others enjoyed softball.

The girls had the opportunity to develop their skill further by attending the Sports Day, June 2, where they participated in the volleyball, badminton, ping pong, softball, and bowling tournaments. This Sports Day, which was held at Cortland, attracted twenty schools within an 80 mile radius.

MRS. ROBERTA BRADLEY
Girls' Physical Education
Health
Advisor:
Cheerleading
Intramurals

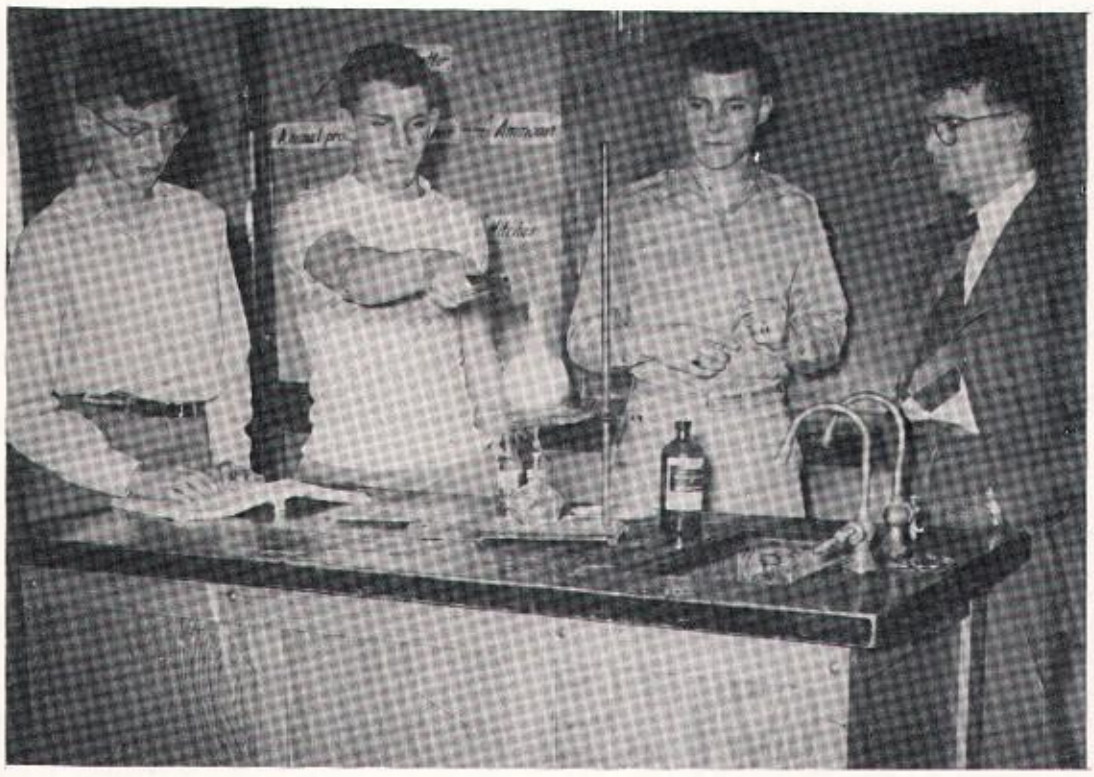
The How, What, and . . .

I'd rather write a letter!

Left to right: Marlea Underwood, Ronnie Ellwood, Russell Teeter, Geraldine Fitchner.

Stone of Scone? Well, I thought it was.

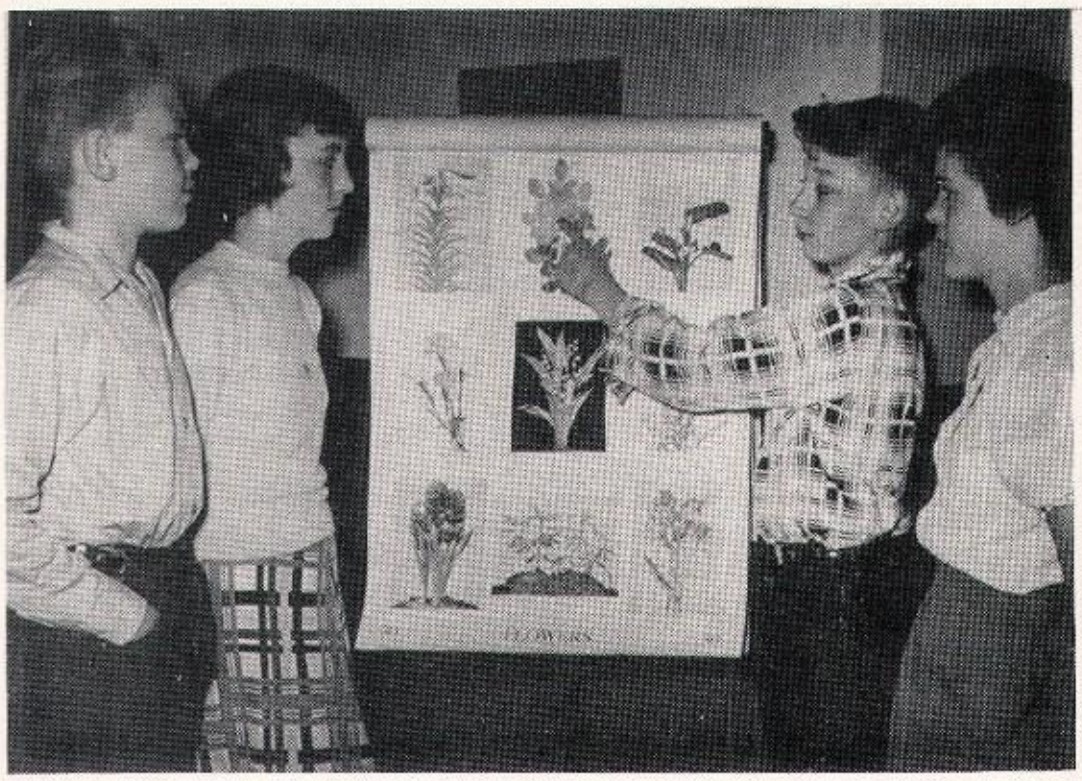
Left to right: Bert Abdallah, David Clark, Dick Crisfield, David Elson.



Add a little of this, and this, and this and —

Left to right: Lee Goetcheus, Howard Shippey, Doug Fuller, Mr. Baker.

. . . Why of Things



The 8th grade pose as floral enthusiasts.

Left to right: Carl Allen, May Lou Allore, Bob Allen, Roberta Bacon.

The world today is science conscious and the students in McGraw are exposed to it in a variety of courses. General Science is a compulsory subject for freshmen. You've heard of the paint that covers the world? General Science is the science that covers all sciences—chemistry, biology, physics and most of the other 'ologies. From this general consolidation of many sciences we beginners pick up the scientific attitude, that is needed to know the how-what-and why of things that make up our environment.

Physiography (earth science) is a subject for senior high classes where we are exposed to the general study of the history of the earth and to the study of its present state. Why bother? To learn and know more about this earth on which we live. It helps us to appreciate its fullness and the wonders of nature.

Chemistry is also a senior high subject. From its study, we not only learn about the elements, their physical and chemical properties but we also learn how to learn. The ability to study, use books, and follow instructions can be acquired through high school chemistry.

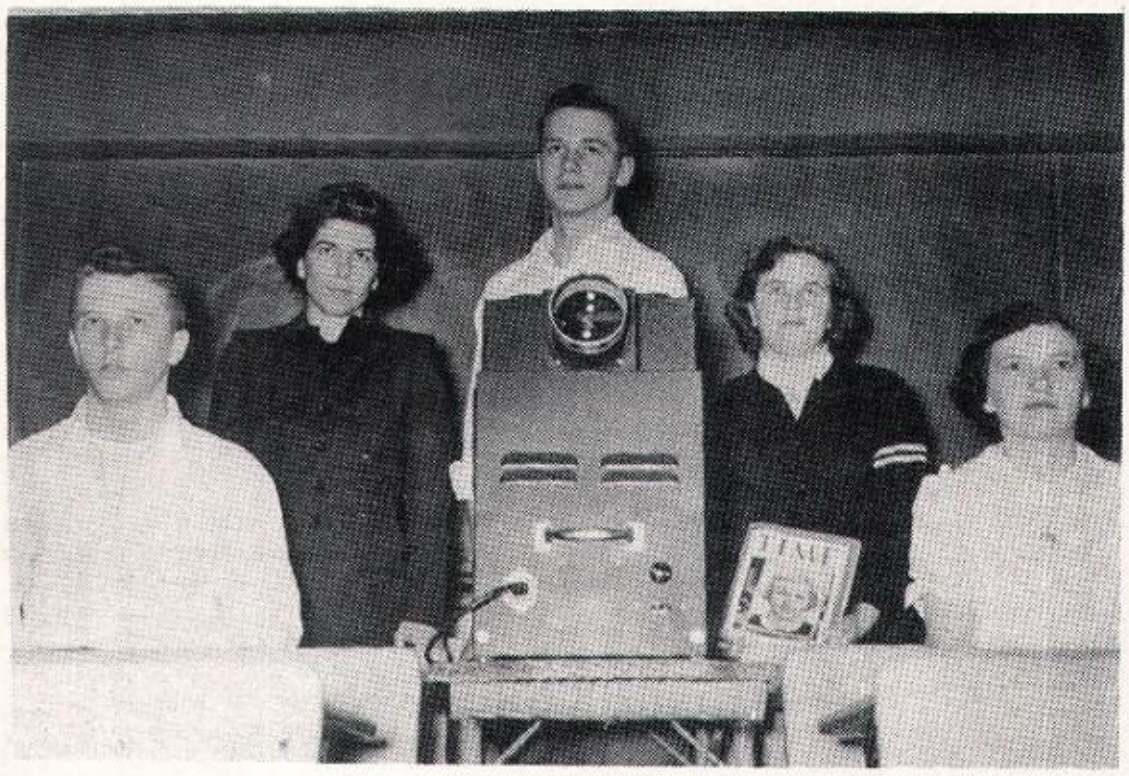
Seventh and Eighth grade science is taught this year by the high school teacher. The grades are divided in halves and each section is required to take science for ten weeks. It is our first exposure to science for a full period every day as a separate subject. At first it sounded like a lot of dry facts and figures but we learned that there are many parts to this subject that all help us to understand ourselves, friends and the world we live in.

MR. BAKER
Science

The Study of Man . . .

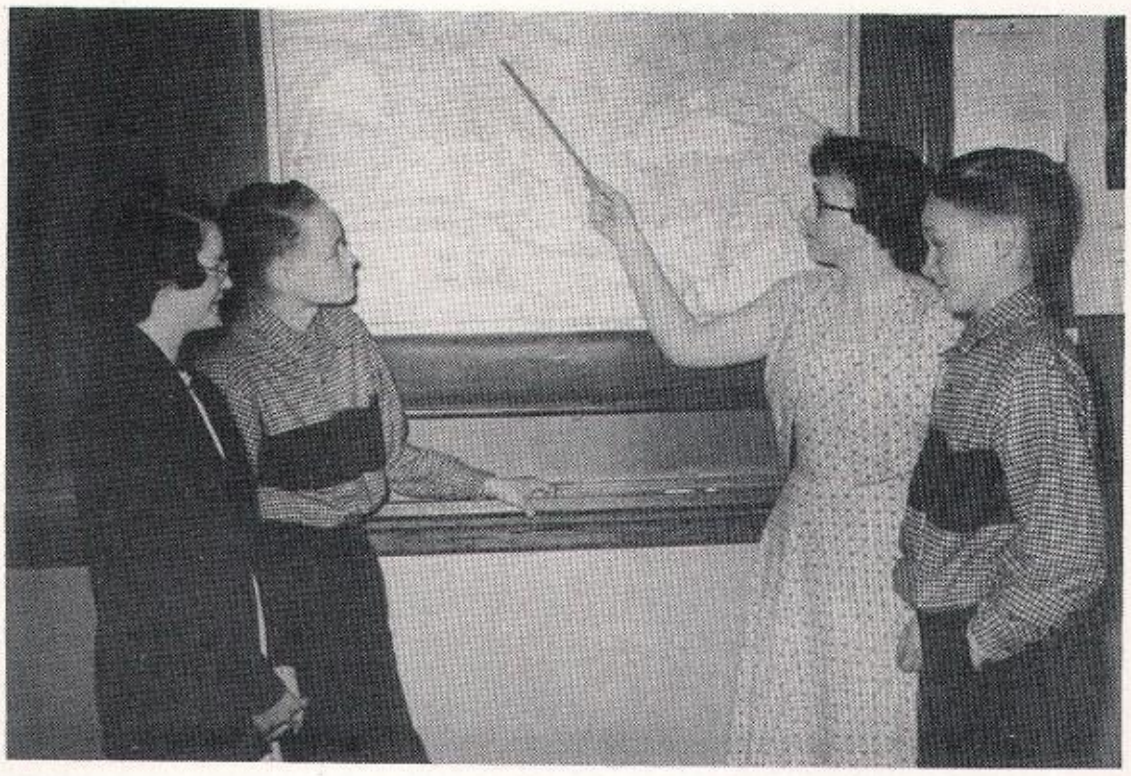
Social Studies is made interesting and realistic by the use of film strips.

Left to right: Barb Owen, Bev Root, Jeannette Thomas, Gordon Teeter, Dale Smith.



Mrs. Nellenback explains a current topic through the use of slides.

Left to right: Russell Teeter, Mrs. Nellenback, Bob Russell, Elizabeth Teeter, Joanne Card.



Trying to locate a little known country on a world map is easy for freshmen after the 9th grade course in geography.

Left to right: Nancy Talbot, Donald DeWalt, Ruth Schink, Robert DeWalt.

. . . Social Studies

Smiling participants in the assembly program for United Nations Week gave a demonstration of a typical problem brought before the Security Council.

Left to right: Bob Lakeman, Dave Elson, Mahlon Pittman, Henry Wadsworth, Lee Goetcheus, Janice Pittman, Trevor Bilodeau, Leon Greenwood, Bert Abdallah, Allan C. Bean, Dave Clark.

Social Studies, a four year compulsory course at M. C. S., offers opportunities for the student to better his community as well as himself. It teaches him to understand those who live outside his own country and to realize that this old world is not so big after all—that the person in Asia is closer to him in travel time than the prospector of '49 was from New York.

Ninth grade civics includes a smattering of all social sciences. We lay the background for more intensive work next year by getting the fundamentals of geography (where is it?), the differences between forms of government (which makes us appreciate ours more), the reasons why nations trade (where and what) as well as a little economics. World History is given the next year and here we find that we can learn by experiences of the past for history tends to repeat itself. In the junior year we study American History while in our last year (being more mature) we wrestle with problems faced by our own nation and the rest of the world. We may not solve them all—but as we listen to the other fellow's opinion who may differ from ours—we're trying to develop opinions based on fair and open-minded thinking.

MRS. JEANNETTE NELLENBACK
Social Studies 9-12
Advisor:
Senior Class
Yearbook
Senior Play

Miscellaneous School Activities

BRASS ENSEMBLE

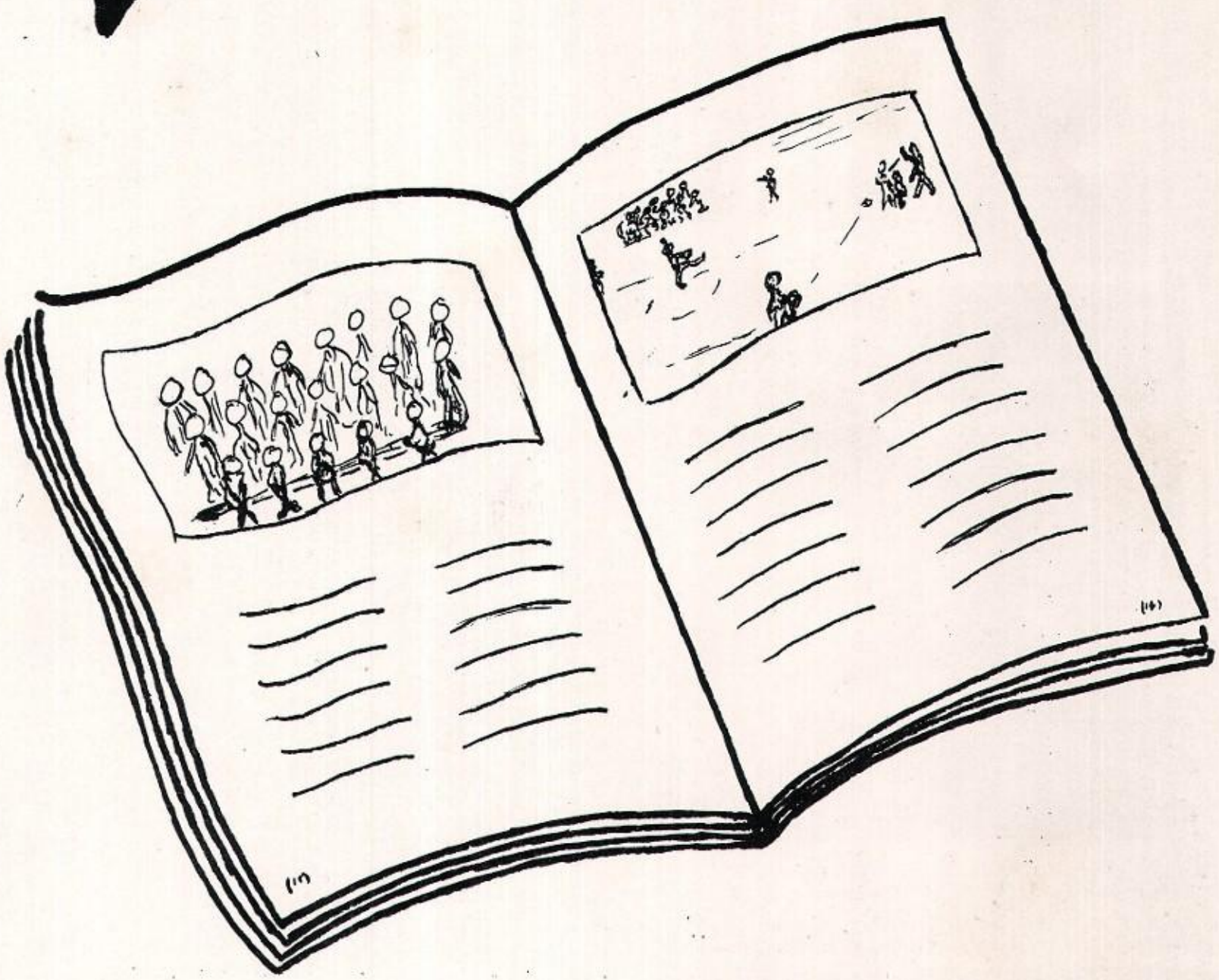
GRADE OPERETTA

TWIRLERS

M. C. S. vs. SOUTH OTSELIC

STARDUST

Sports



Our Boys Are Versatile

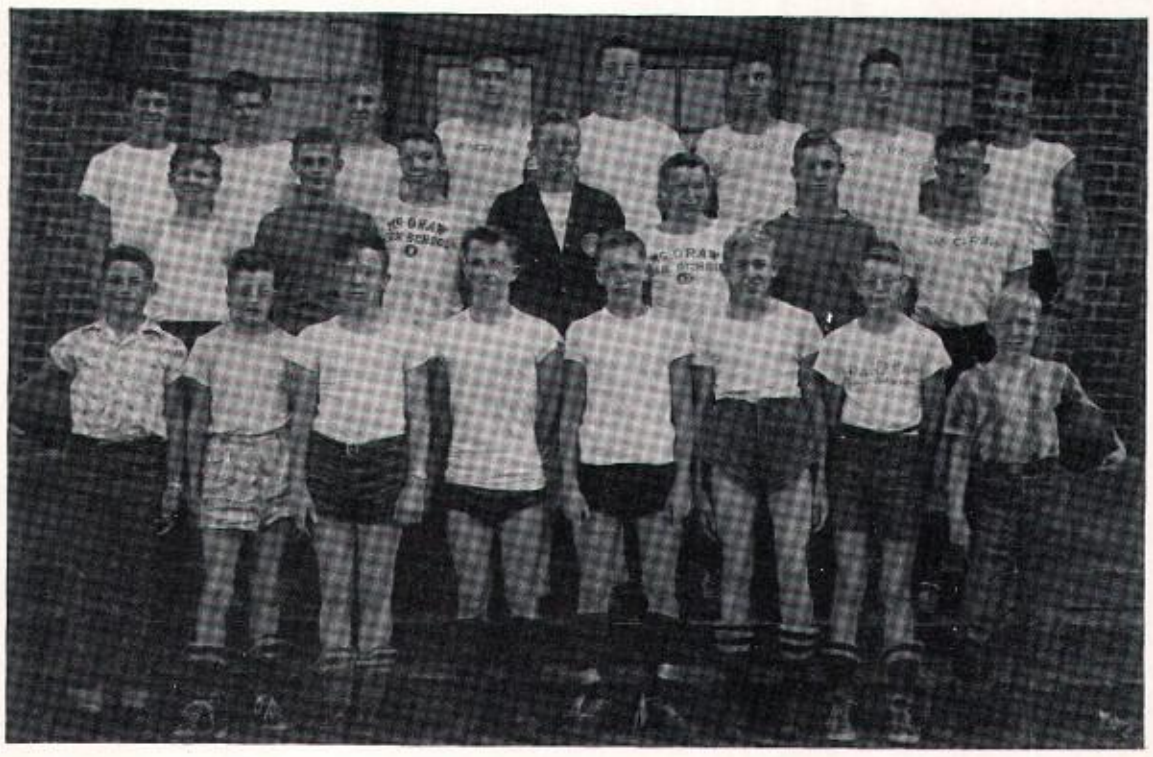
First row, left to right: Max Crozier, Douglas Fuller, George Hicks, Henry Wadsworth, George Ferris, Dale Smith, Trevor Bilodeau, James Brown.

Second row: Richard Crisfield, Russell Teeter, Paul Wothe, Gordon Teeter, Howard Shippey, Fred Bilodeau, Carl Kimberly.

Third row: Leon Greenwood; manager, Robert Lakeman, Milton Allen, Richard Wilson, Coach Berchen, Thomas Powers, LeRoy Jennings, David Clark.

1951 BASEBALL SCHEDULE

April 30	Truxton	there
May 3	Virgil	there
May 7	Marathon	here
May 10	Homer	there
May 14	Cincinnatus	there
May 19	Truxton	here
May 21	Virgil	here
May 24	Marathon	there
May 29	Homer	here
May 31	Cincinnatus	here



First row, left to right: James Brown, manager, Charles Niles, Philip Snyder, Russell Teeter, Trevor Bilodeau, Carl Kimberly, Max Crozier, Donald Niver, assistant.

Second row: Gordon Sykes, Howard Shippey, Leon Greenwood, Coach Berchen, Frederick Bilodeau, Robert Lakeman, Henry Wadsworth, Jr.

Third row: Frank Sycuske, Malcolm Sykes, Richard Crisfield, Dale Smith, Mahlon Pittman, George Hicks, Jack Talbot, Gorden Teeter.

SOCCER

Season's Records—Won 4, Lost 4, Tied 2
Our League Standing — 3rd Place

McGraw	3	Marathon	3
McGraw	3	Virgil	1
McGraw	1	Homer	3
McGraw	2	Cincinnatus	3
McGraw	3	Truxton	2
McGraw	2	Marathon	3
McGraw	1	Homer	2
McGraw	3	Cincinnatus	1
McGraw	3	Truxton	3
McGraw	2	Virgil	0
Total	23	Total	21

GOALS

T. Bilodeau	7
H. Wadsworth	5
H. Shippey	5
R. Teeter	2
F. Bilodeau	1
P. Niver	1
R. Crisfield	1
F. Sycuske	1

Our Boys Are Versatile

First row, left to right: Robert Lakeman, Douglas Fuller, George Hicks, David Elson, Richard Crisfield, Allan C. Bean, James Brown.

Second row: Philip Snyder, Howard Baer, James Gilbert, Richard Wilson, Gordon Teeter, James Beattie, Donald DeWalt.

Third row: Russell Teeter, Ronald Elwood, Howard Sink, Jr., Robert Jacobi, Leroy Baer, Faculty advisor; Leroy Jennings, Malcolm Sykes, Carl Kimberly.

Due to the added difficulties of centralization this year, the Rifle Club was unable to use the basement range until after midyear exams.

About February first, the club met in the range to begin practicing for the Section 4 match at the I. B. M. Country Club range in Binghamton on March 17. By the first of March, the ten best riflemen had been chosen from the whole club. These ten practiced daily until the eve of the match when Mr. Baer chose David Elson, Douglas Fuller, Richard Crisfield, George Hicks and Allan C. Bean to represent the club. Of these five only Richard Crisfield had ever competed in a match. Of the seventeen teams in the match, representing both small and large schools, McGraw placed sixth with 780 points out of a possible 1000.

Considering the small amount of practice we had had, no one felt deeply disappointed. We have hopes that next year we can start earlier and place even higher.

First row, left to right: Fred Bilodeau, Paul Wothe, Henry Wadsworth, Gordon Teeter, Dale Smith, Robert Lakeman.

Second row: Russell Teeter, Douglas Fuller, Coach Charles Berchen, Mahlon Pittman, George Hicks, Richard Crisfield.

The volleyball tournament was held at McGraw Central School Gym, March 14, 1951. Teams taking part in the tournament were Virgil, Marathon, Cincinnatus and McGraw. Each school continued playing until they had lost four out of six games. Marathon took the championship. McGraw came in second, Cincinnatus third and Virgil fourth.

Shoot 'Em . . .

First row, left to right: Howard Shippey, Paul Wothe, Mahlon Pittman, Douglas Fuller.

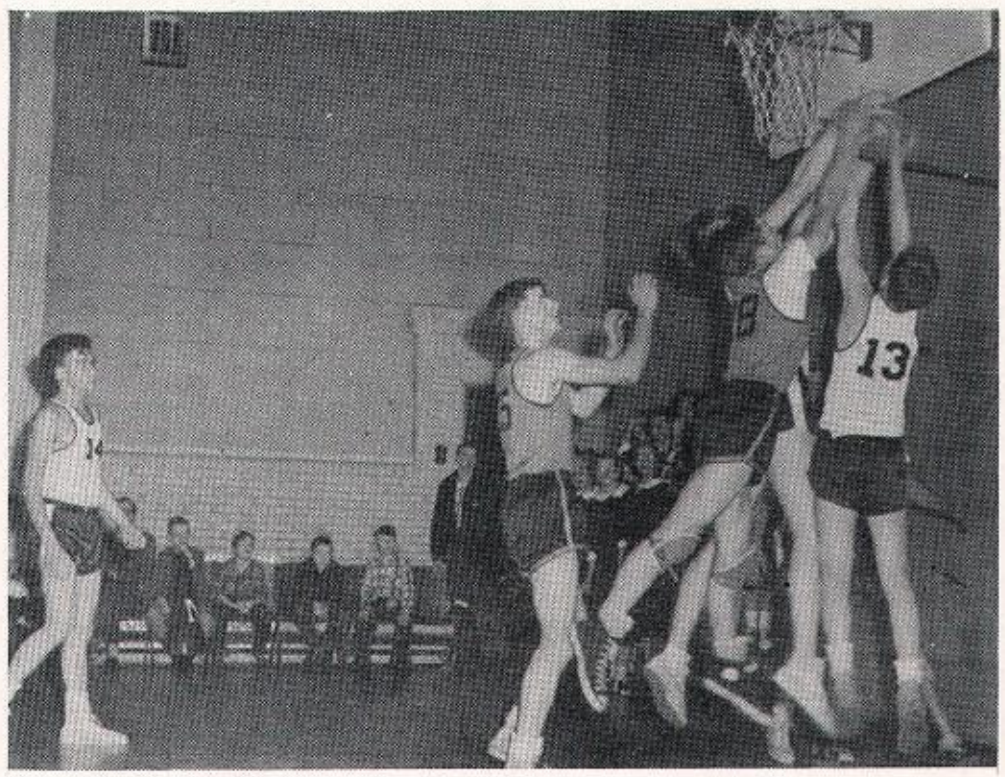
Second row: Trevor Bilodeau, Richard Crisfield, David Clark, Manager; Gordon Teeter, Henry Wadsworth.

Player	Games Played	Total Points	Average Points
Howard Shippey	18	256	14
Henry Wadsworth	18	189	10.5
Paul Wothe	18	155	8
Trevor Bilodeau	18	108	6
Gordon Teeter	15	59	3.9
Douglas Fuller	18	70	3.8
Mahlon Pittman	18	65	3.7
Richard Crisfield	12	21	1.8

SCHEDULE

McGraw		
55	South Otselic	41
68	Cincinnatus	66
46	DeRuyter	51
63	Truxton	57
45	Tully	53
38	Virgil	56
54	Marathon	71
35	South Otselic	37
56	Homer	67
61	Newark Valley	73
49	Cincinnatus	61
48	Truxton	65
55	DeRuyter	51
59	Virgil	81
62	King Ferry	56
55	Marathon	66
35	Homer	69
*49	Truxton	58
945		1079

* Playoff



. . . Pass 'Em

Front row, left to right: James Gilbert, Russell Teeter, Robert Russell, George Hicks, Jack Talbot, James Connelly.

Second row: Max Crozier, Carl Kimberly, Leon Greenwood, LeRoy Jennings, James Brown, Charles Niles, Philip Snyder, Manager.

SEASON'S RECORD

McGraw	28	South Otselic	17
McGraw	34	Cincinnatus	74
McGraw	34	DeRuyter	26
McGraw	31	Truxton	34
McGraw	29	Tully	36
McGraw	38	Virgil	53
McGraw	32	Marathon	59
McGraw	33	South Otselic	35
McGraw	27	Homer	62
McGraw	25	Newark Valley	50
McGraw	24	Cincinnatus	49
McGraw	46	Truxton	54
McGraw	35	DeRuyter	34
McGraw	30	Virgil	69
McGraw	22	King Ferry	35
McGraw	21	Marathon	62
McGraw	27	Homer	56
Total	516	Opponents	805

Player	Position	Total amount scored in yr.
George Hicks	center	98
Russell Teeter	guard	95
John Talbot	forward	70
Leon Greenwood	forward	67
Robert Russell	guard	43
James Brown	guard	28
James Gilbert	center	24
LeRoy Jennings	guard	16
Carl Kimberly	guard	16
Max Crozier	forward	13
Richard Crisfield	forward	10
Charles Niles	guard	2
James Connelly	center	0

The Girls in Action

First row, front to back: Barbara Owen, Marilyn Fuller, Janice Pittman, Phyllis Wheelock.
Center: Sylvia Reynolds, Harriet Moore.
Second row: Marjorie Corey, Barbara Wheelock, Elaine Berean, Shirley Stevens.

The cheerleading squad resumed its activity early in the fall. Barbara Owen, Barbara Wheelock, Janice Pittman and Marilyn Fuller were veterans of previous years. Beginning this year, all ten cheerleaders have to try out each year to remain on the squad. They are chosen for voice quality, precision of motion, jumping, pep, and enthusiasm. The finals are judged by faculty members.

At the beginning of the season, a contest was held to get some new cheers. All children in school were allowed to enter the race. Prizes of free passes to home games were awarded to Carol Smith, first; James Ray, second; and Vesta Hines, third.

McGraw cheerleaders were among the schools competing for the Cortland County Cheerleading cup. The schools are judged by their appearance the first playoff night. Among the points used to determine the winners are harmony among cheerleaders, enthusiasm, rules and regulations, sportsmanship, appearance, originality, precision of motions, speed of performance, and adaptability of cheers. Homer won the cup while the McGraw girls took third place.

We cheerleaders are planning on next year as a very promising one. The thoughts of our new school will give us new vigor to do better.

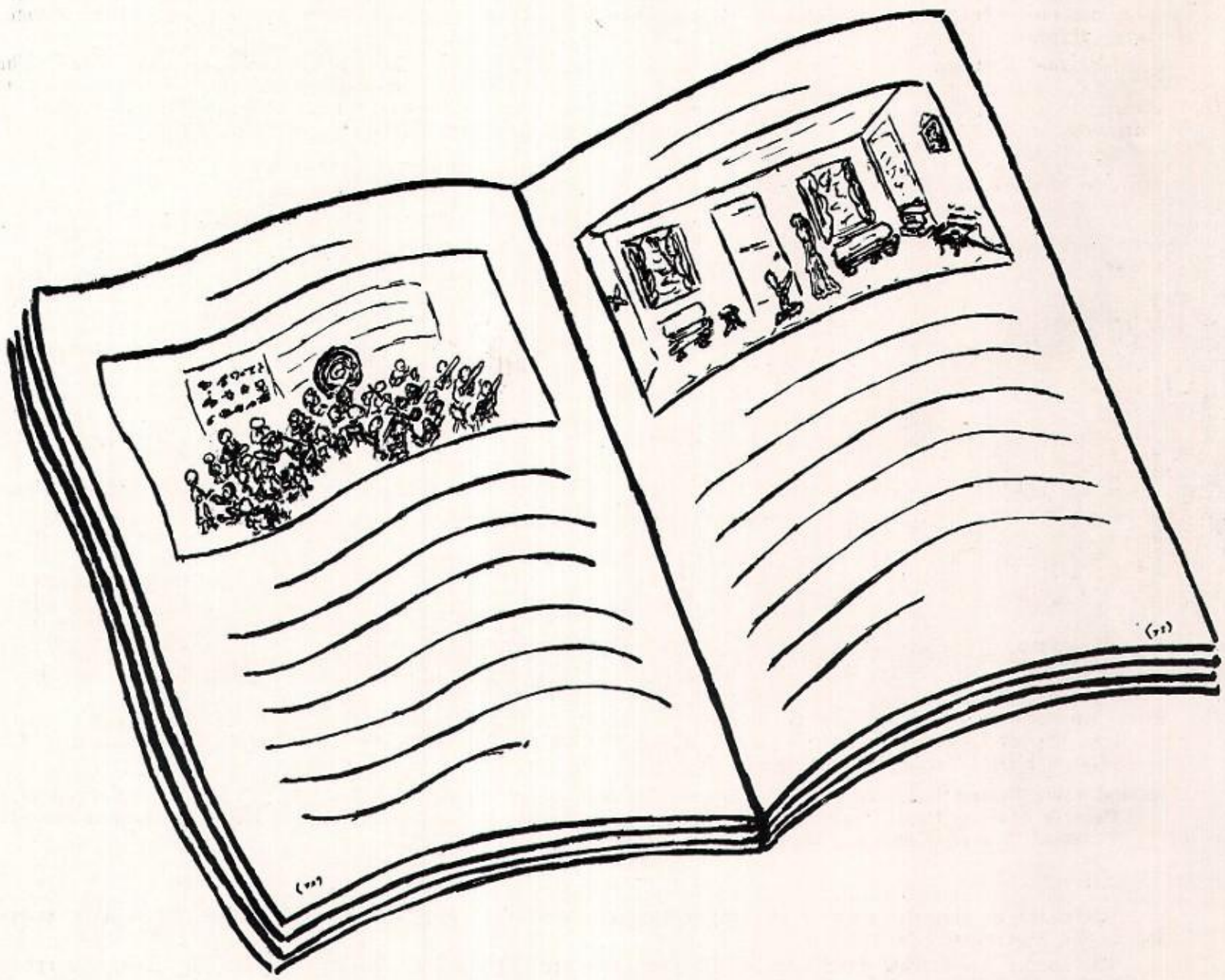
First row, left to right: Marilyn Fuller, Camilla Heath, Edith Hulslander, Doris Hall, Sylvia Reynolds, Miltreata Covington, Marlea Underwood, Bertha Heath, Shirley Bishop, Catherine Hammond, Elaine Mules, Marjorie Corey, Harriet Moore, Nancy Talbot, Elaine Berean, Phyllis Wheelock.

Second row: Joanne Card, Betty Niles, Beverly Thomas, Mary Barnes, Joan Allore, Sylvia Nowalk, Geraldine Fitchner, Patricia Owens, Carol Jennings, Joan Lakin, Mrs. Bradlley, Carol Smith, Jane Cobb, Barbara Head, Joan Belknap, Elizabeth Teeter, Carolyn Brown, Barbara Wheelock.

Under the capable direction of our physical education teacher, Mrs. Bradley, the McGraw girls have enjoyed participating in the intramural activities.

The soccer intramurals were won by the Red team and captained by Shirley Stevens. The girls journeyed to Marathon on October 25, and were defeated six to one. The invitation was returned and a hard fought game was played only to end with a scoreless tie.

Activities



These Occupy . . .

First row, left to right: Dorothy Walker, Catherine Hammond, Charlotte Cook, Elizabeth Teeter, Marilyn Fuller, Joanne Card, Jeannette Thomas, Barbara Wheelock.

Second row: Sylvia Nowalk, Miltreata Covington, Patricia Owens, Edith Hulslander, Shirley Bishop, Joan Belknap, Richard Tobias, Barbara Owen, Fred Bilodeau, Carolyn Brown.

Third row: Robert Mules, Janice Pittman, Trevor Bilodeau, Carol Smith, Mrs. Mary Heath, Henry Wadsworth, Shirley Marion, Carol Jennings, Allan C. Bean, Malcolm Sykes.

Fourth row: Gordon Teeter, Leaon Greenwood, Douglas Fuller, David Elson, Paul Wothe, Mahlon Pittman, Dale Smith, Richard Crisfield, Lee Goetchus, Howard Baer.

Our Drama Club binds together, although somewhat loosely, the dramatic activities of our school. In spite of the fact we find few opportunities for club meeting, the school shows considerable enthusiasm for dramatic productions.

Early in the year we elected our officers:

President ..... Paul Wothe
Vice-President ..... Allan Bean
Treasurer ..... Dorothy Walker
Secretary ..... Jeannette Thomas
Student Representative to Drama Council....Barbara Owen
Alternater ..... Carol Smith
Advisor ..... Mrs. Heath

Carol Smith and Barbara Wheelock, representing our school, attended the meeting of the Drama Council, held at State Teachers College under the leadership of Mary Noble Smith and Delta Psi Omega. At this time some details of the Sixth Annual Drama Festival were discussed. Many students from our school attended the festival, held April 26 - 27 - 28, the theme of which was "America's Voice in Theater History".

McGraw Central's dramatic activities throughout the year included the Senior play, "The Divine Flora", and the following one act plays: "The Neighbors", presented by the Freshman Class; "Stout Hearted Freddy" and "Take a Look at Johnny" presented by the Eighth Grade Class. Also, on Tuesday, April 10, the Drama Club sponsored a trip to Ithaca to see the Ithaca College players in "Othello" by William Shakespeare.

. . . Our Spare Time

This year, with Centralization, the High School united to make the "Mac" a Yearbook Club project instead of a senior affair. It was felt that with the increased enrollment and enlarged curriculum the "Mac" would be too large an undertaking for the seniors. Consequently the Yearbook Club was organized with Carol Jennings as editor and Mrs. Nellenback, faculty advisor. Those in High School who wanted to help on the yearbook were given an opportunity to join the organization. They could designate in which journalistic field they wished to work.

Although a constitution has not been completed, the pattern for selecting officers has been set forth. The assistant editor is elected by the club thru nominations which were presented by the editor, principal, and faculty advisor. The editor, assistant editor, and advisor appointed each committee and its chairman. All committee personnel are chosen from the club membership. The assistant editor automatically becomes the editor the following year.

All the members of the club were divided into the following committees:

Assistant Editor ..... Allan C. Bean

Business Manager and Treasurer.....Carol Smith

Typing

Barbara Owen, Chairman
Carol Smith
Shirley Marion
Charlotte Cook
Robert Mules
Beverly Root

Sports

Gordon Teeter, Chairman
Henry Wadsworth
James Gilbert
George Hicks
Robert Russell
Richard Wilson
Barbara Wheelock
Elizabeth Teeter

Copy Work

Howard Baer, Chairman
Phyllis Wheelock
Leon Greenwood
Janice Pittman
Shirley Williams
Barbara Jacquin
Jack Goetchus

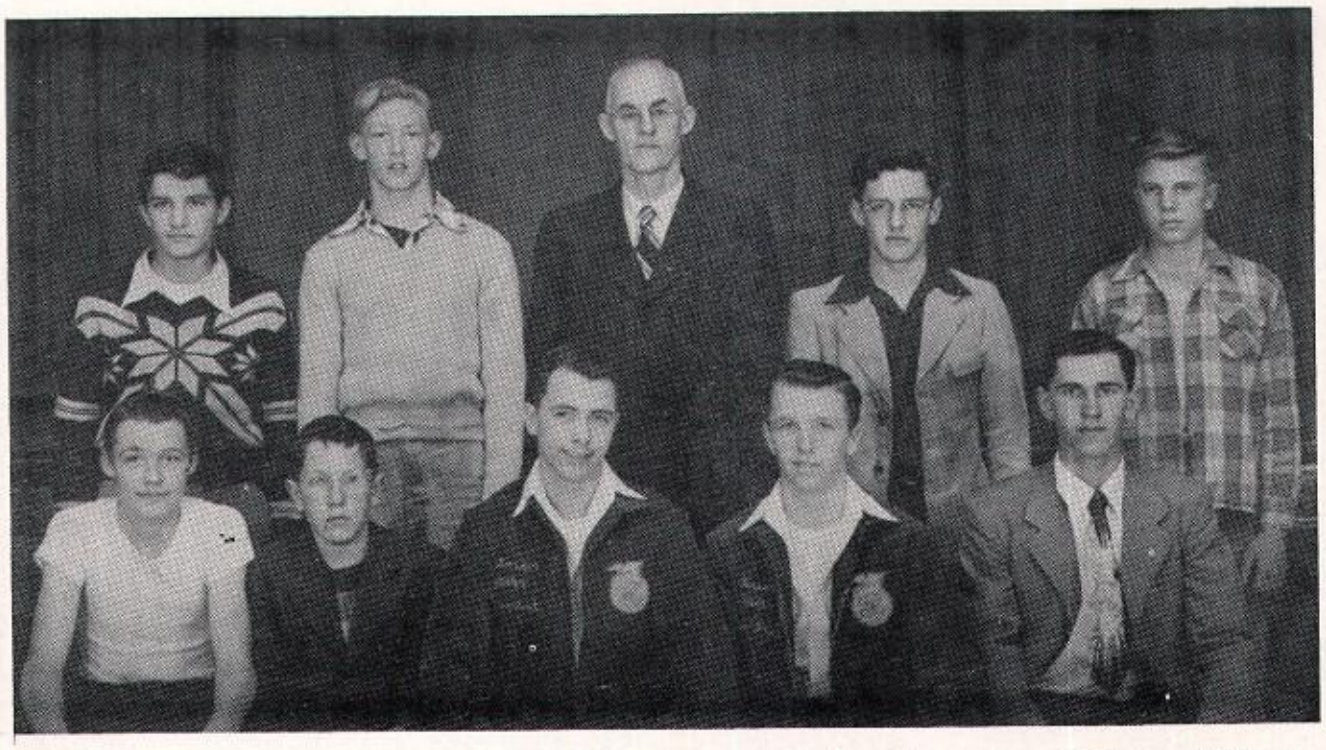
Art

Fred Bilodeau, Chairman
Malcolm Sykes
Jeannette Thomas
Pauline Chase
Richard Tobias

Photography

James Brown, Chairman
Shirley Stevens
Carl Kimberly
Max Crozier

Boys' Clubs Have Increased



First row, left to right: Donald Briggs, James Beattie, Gorden Teeter, Russell Teeter, Richard Wilson.

Second row: Leslie Warren, Milton Allen, Mr. Arthur Brokaw, Howard Sink, William Ackley.

This year after a lapse of eight years, Vocational Agriculture is again taught at the McGraw Central School. The boys that are taking agriculture have organized the McGraw Chapter of the Future Farmers of America. The club started with eleven members: one senior, seven sophomores, and three freshmen. Later a junior from Homer and a freshman from Truxton joined the club. Mr. Arthur Brokaw, the teacher of Agriculture at McGraw, organized the club. The following officers were elected:

President	Gordon Teeter
Vice-President	Russell Teeter
Secretary	Richard Wilson
Treasurer	James Beattie
Reporter	Donald Briggs
Advisor	Arthur Brokaw
Sentinel	Howard Sink

The main purpose of the club is to help train young men for leadership in the community. The club holds meetings once each month with the regular FFA ritual. Many of these meetings are held at the homes of the members. Some activities the club has sponsored or participated in during the year are: an assembly program, purebred calves owned by as many as possible of the members, an Empire farmer from the club within two years, exhibits at the Cortland County Fair, judging contests at Virgil, Cornell, Syracuse, and Delhi, The Hoard's Dairyman cow judging contest, and a father and son banquet. The club had a successful basketball and baseball team. Richard Wilson was the captain of this year's basketball team. The club hopes to continue the good record made this year and drive for continual improvement.

First row, left to right: David Clark, Jack Talbot, Philip Niver, Malcolm Sykes, Paul Wothe, Dale Smith, Fred Bilodeau.

Second row: Richard Crisfield, Henry Wadsworth, Gordon Teeter, Trevor Bilodeau, Douglas Fuller, Howard Shippey, Coach Charles Berchen, Mahlon Pittman, Robert Mules.

The members of the Varsity Club found it inconvenient to meet because of the shortened school time and the added activity. There are two, four year members and four, three year members besides the many newcomers. Officers for this year's club are as follows:

President	Paul Wothe	Treasurer	Trevor Bilodeau
Vice-President	Douglas Fuller	Historian	Howard Shippey
Secretary	Henry Wadsworth	Advisor	Mr. Berchen

The club hopes that next year's schedule will allow more time for Varsity Club meetings because it is felt that with more time, this organization could become an active, worthwhile boys' club.

School History

Sitting, left to right: Maude Bingham, Lewis Bean, Gertie Gardner, A. D. Brown.
Standing, Teachers: Miss Van Buskerk, George Bailey.

About 140 years ago, the first school in McGraw was organized. Since that time we have advanced, making the latest change the past year. Having chosen centralization as the theme of our yearbook, we wish to stop a while to look back at the history of our educational system in McGraw.

The very first school in McGraw was built of logs, a little west of what is now Strong's Service Station on Main Street. The school house was equally important as a church. The exact date of this building is not known but it is thought to have been built sometime before 1811.

Following this school, two frame buildings were erected. One was located on the Northeast corner of South and Center Streets where the Phillips' residence now stands. The other building is believed to have stood on the corner where Washington Street extends north from Route 41.

The reason for having two schools is not certain. Some people say that because anyone who had a teacher's degree could start a school, two were established in McGraw. Another version is that McGraw may have been divided into two districts, thus having a school for each district.

In 1846, these two schools were joined into one building to make the present Grange Hall on Church Street. The north wing of the Grange is the former school on Center and South Streets. A newly built south wing burned and was never rebuilt.

In reviewing the history of schools in McGraw, it is of interest to note that Mrs. Israel Palmer, an early McGraw teacher, started the first Sunday School in Cortland County. Although she was a McGraw girl, her Sunday School was started in East Homer.

On July 4, 1848, another milestone in the educational progress of McGraw was reached with the lay-

New York Central College

ing of the corner stone to the Free Central College. To commemorate the day, a big parade formed in front of the Baptist and Methodist Churches. The money to found the new school was given by the Baptist Home Missionary Society and the town people of McGrawville. In order that the people would be able to contribute their share, Doctor Potter, the local physician, solicited funds. William Lloyd Garrison, Henry Ward Beecher, Garritt Smith, and Horace Greely were among abolitionists contributing to the fund. Horace Greely also gave $50 to be used to construct an entrance to the college grounds. Dr. Potter secured contributions ranging from 50c to $100 from Lockport, Collins, Jamestown, Bath, Randolph, Buffalo and Warren, Pennsylvania.

On September 5, 1849, the college opened, with an enrollment of 20 people. By the end of the first year there were 110 students. A freshman had to meet two requirements for entrance, a suitable age of 14 and evidence of good moral character.

The boarding house was used as a girls' dormitory and student cafeteria. The wings were removed after the college closed to make the present Hammond House on the corner of South and West Academy Streets. The remaining sections were destroyed by fire in 1896. The farm house, a little farther down the street, was the home of the supervisor of the college farms. The farm house, now known as the Widger House, was notably long.

The first faculty of the college consisted of:

Professor Cyrus Gosvenor, president of the college and professor of intellectual and moral philosophy and the Hebrew language.

Lemuel H. Waters, professor of Latin, Greek, Mathematics.

Charles L. Reason, a mulatto professor of Bello letters and mathematics.

Victor Kingsley, the tutor.

Mrs. Elisa Haven, the matron and professor of the French language and drawing.

Miss Sophie M. Lathrop, professor of English.

Some of the textbooks used were:

Latin Cicero de Senectute and de Amecetia
Robinson Algebra and Spherical Trigonometry
Greek, Demosthenes de Corona
Mutual History—Wood's Botony, Physics
Olmstead's Natural Philosophy
Robinson's Astronomy
Scheller's William Tell
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Uphan's Mental Philosophy
Wayland's Moral Science

In 1851, the name of the college was changed from Free Central College to New York Central College. This change was made because some people came to the college under the impression that the courses were free to all who wished to attend. There were three semesters: the fall term, winter term, and spring term. The three main courses of study were: classical, scientific and universal. A Bachelor of Arts degree was conferred on those persons completing the classical or scientific course.

The pupils were urged by the President of the college to bring carpets to make their rooms more comfortable and to take pride in keeping their rooms neat. The student could entrust his money to the President if he so desired. The charge for a room was $3 a year while board was $1 a week. The tuition fee was $30 a year. The pupils and the teachers were all required to work on the college farm. The males received 6c an hour while females received 3c an hour. Each person

associated with the college had to work two hours a day. The public was invited to inspect the college at the end of each term.

The students were male and female, rich and poor, black and white. A ledger of New York Central College, now found in the Lamount Library in McGraw, does not classify blacks from whites. A record also shows that of the enrolled four hundred, only fourteen received as low a mark as 80%. The majority of the marks were above 95%, the girls receiving more 100's than the boys.

The last year in which the college offered its complete curriculum of thirty-two subjects was 1854. After 1854, the attendance decreased until there were only 8 attending in 1860.

In 1854, the governing body of the college was listed as:

A. Scofield, Georgetown, President

Archibald Campbell, Hamilton, Vice-President

Professor G. L. Brochett, McGrawville, Corresponding Secretary

Philander Knight, Scott, Recording Secretary

Eld. H. Caldwell, McGrawville, Treasurer

L. Wellington H. Waters, McGrawville, Treasurer

Trustees were as follows:

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William Pierce	David Pease
Ira Baker	A. L. Post
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In 1858, it was recorded that Miss King, a faculty member, received $2.50 a week and even then the pay was not regular. After the college closed, Miss King remained in McGraw until her death on June 5, 1880. She was buried on the plot with her Negro friend, Anna Marsh, Professor Grosvenor's daughter.

The college was fast falling into debt when in 1858, Gerritt Smith became president, using his own money to pay the back debts. The college closed in the spring of 1859 because of lack of funds but reopened in the fall of 1860. Finally, in the spring of 1861, the college closed forever. The political controversy, (slavery) lack of funds to pay the faculty and the corruptness of the trustees in appropriating and mismanaging the subscription funds led to its downfall. The abolitionists would not support the college because it was a "white" college while the opponents would not support it because it was a "nigger" college. White people were wary of sending their children to the college because of the recent school scandal. Miss King, a prominent white man's daughter, and Professor Allen, a mulatto, eloped causing much resentment and making the racial problem a reason for the closing. The smallpox epidemic of 1850 added to the causes of the diminishing attendance. Finally, in 1864, the college grounds and building, valued at $50,000, were sold for $6,500 to a McGraw Stock Company headed by P. H. McGraw.

Some eminent people who attended the college were:

Mary Edmond Lewis, a Negress, who became a famous sculptress.

Reverend Agariah Smith, the editor of Atlantic Monthly.

Miss Russell and the three Edmond sisters, characters in Harriet Beecher Stowe's "Uncle Tom's Cabin".

The old college building stood until it was demolished in 1885. Today the only remainders of this past phase in our town are the burying grounds on the hill behind the college where the victims of the smallpox outbreak were buried, the cupola, oak doors, stairways and numerous timbers of the college now found on the Bean Brothers' barn on the Cortland Road. A collection of rocks and minerals from the old college used in the natural philosophy course is now said to be at the McGraw Central School.

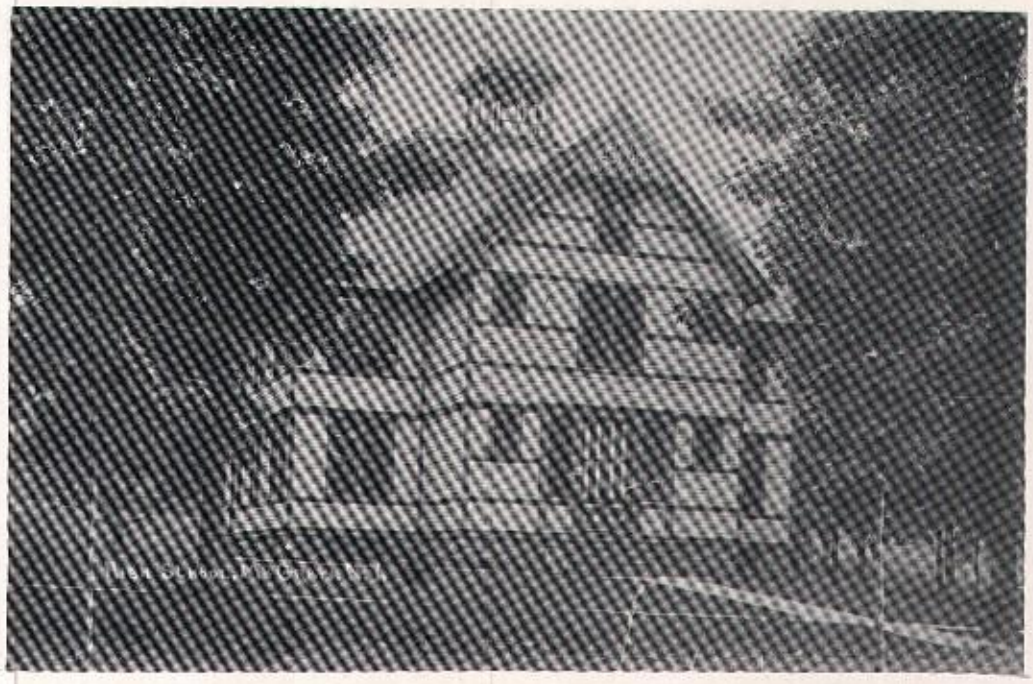
The college, which guaranteed at its beginning that, "Students will here be comparatively free from the contaminating influences of profanity, gambling, and intemperance, in short the great end of the institution will be to make men of business, men of thought and men of God," has vanished forever. Although all records consulted do not agree and mistakes are evident; the salient facts of a grand old college are carefully enumerated in this article.

After the college had failed in 1864, stockholders bought the building for $6,500. Organized in the same building was the New York Central Academy. Students were required to pay for their education. They could work on the farm; the men earning 6c an hour and the women earning 3c an hour. There is no record of the subjects or teachers.

Later, in 1867, the college building was resold and a Union Free School was established. The Grange Hall, on Church Street, which had been used as a school, was included in the new academy. The term, Union Free, was given because the new school assimilated the Church Street school and the Rowe District, (right side of South Hill). It was also a free school to be attended by anyone, as the title indicates.

In 1885, the McGraw High School, which stood directly in front of the present school, was built. When the school first started it was a Union School, then a Middle School, a Junior School, a Senior School and finally in 1909 a High School. These advancements from a Union School to the High School were based on the equipment and enrollement in the school.

Records show that, up until 1895 when the first class was graduated, only two people had received academic diplomas. Those two, Bert Bramen and Doctor Harry Bramen, received their honors in 1887. Another item reveals that the first athletic event was not held until about 1920. The first physical education teacher was Nina Rowe, now Mrs. Nina Crist.



McGraw High School, built in 1885

Standing, left to right: Welland Wadsworth, Mr. Harris, Raymond Stafford.

Sitting: Fred Davis, Clarence Wadsworth, Percibal Euson.

Sitting: Julia Euson.

First row, left to right: Elizabeth Palmer Reakes, Mildred Webster, Cora Wadsworth Foster, Eva Wadsworth Smith.

Second row: Gertrude Sanborn, English Instructor and Girls' Coach.

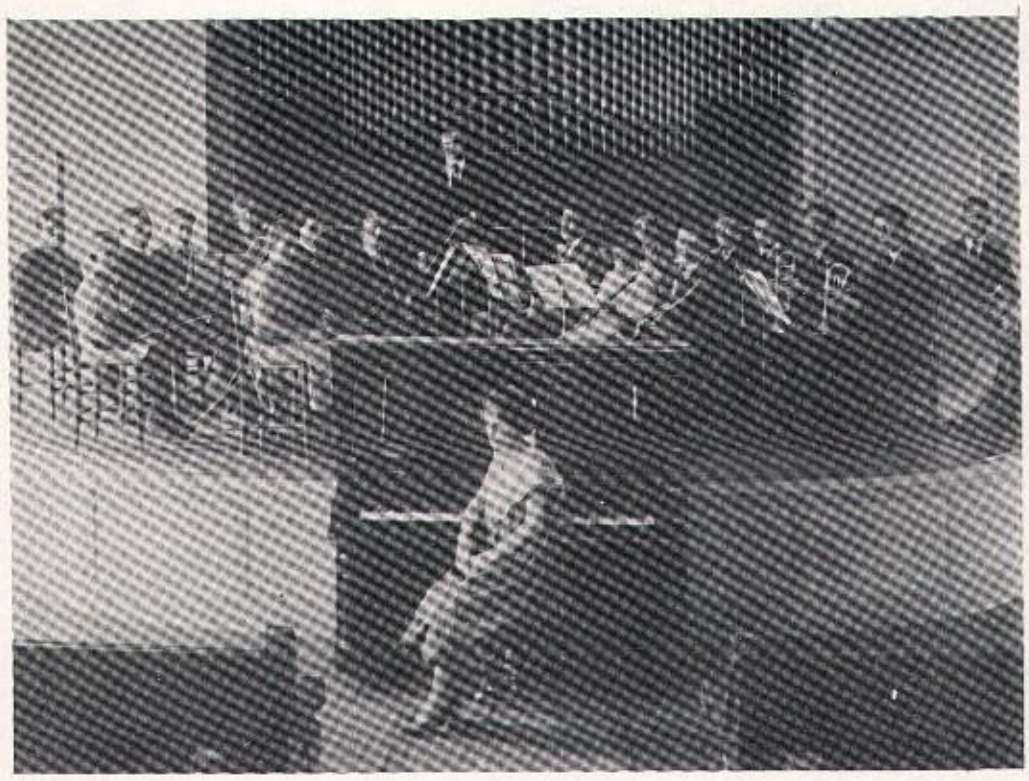
In 1929, the present building was erected, as a result of public request. A larger school was needed to accommodate the increased enrollment. Empire Corset Company presented the new school with a 60 foot flag pole which now stands on the front lawn. Mr. Hewitt, the last veteran of the Civil War, gave the flag.

In recent years the public has felt that we should centralize to accommodate the increasing enrollment, and to offer pupils more opportunities in a wider field. New subjects would include music, art, homemaking, shop, and agriculture. The increased state aid available to all central school districts will enable us to have these facilities at little increase in cost.

On June 29, 1950, the voters of what is now the McGraw Central School District No. 4 voted on the question of centralization. The results were favorable with 847 ballots cast in favor against 204 ballots in opposition.

The first big step after centralization was building the school garage. At a meeting in September, the taxpayers voted $55,000 for building and furnishing the new building.

The school has bought four new busses and also inherited two busses and a station wagon from the Solon districts. One more bus will be added, subject to the approval of the voters. This bus will be used for educational trips, athletic events, and for emergencies.



High School Orchestra in the early 1920's

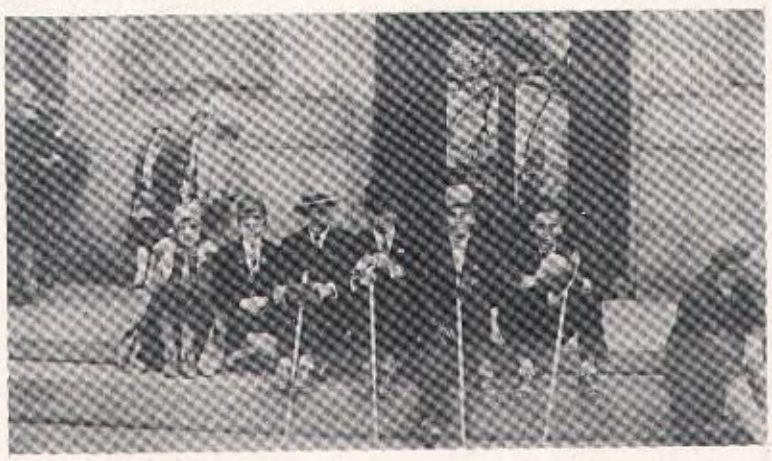
January 1913—Entire High School and Faculty in Study Hall

Standing, at rear: Miss Claribel Warren, Principal; Alfred V. Zogg; Miss Leah Day, later became Doctor of the Kindergarten Department at Cortland College.

In the near future it will be necessary to build an addition to the school to take care of not only the increased enrollment but also the additional curricular and extra-curricular activities. This addition would consist of about 12 classrooms, a kindergarten room, and a separate auditorium and gymnasium. The present gymnasium would be made into a cafeteria and kitchen.

The new addition will be large enough to house all pupils in the central district if and when the branch schools decide to close.

Everyone agrees that the school, along with the home and church, is of utmost importance to the community. Let us cherish all records of our school's past merits. May we work together, now and in future years, to promote its usefulness and influences for worthy purposes.



Senior Trip to Washington — 1927

Left to right: Philomena Hendron, Helen Hale, Harold Gates, Howard Hulbert, William Beers, William Hendron.

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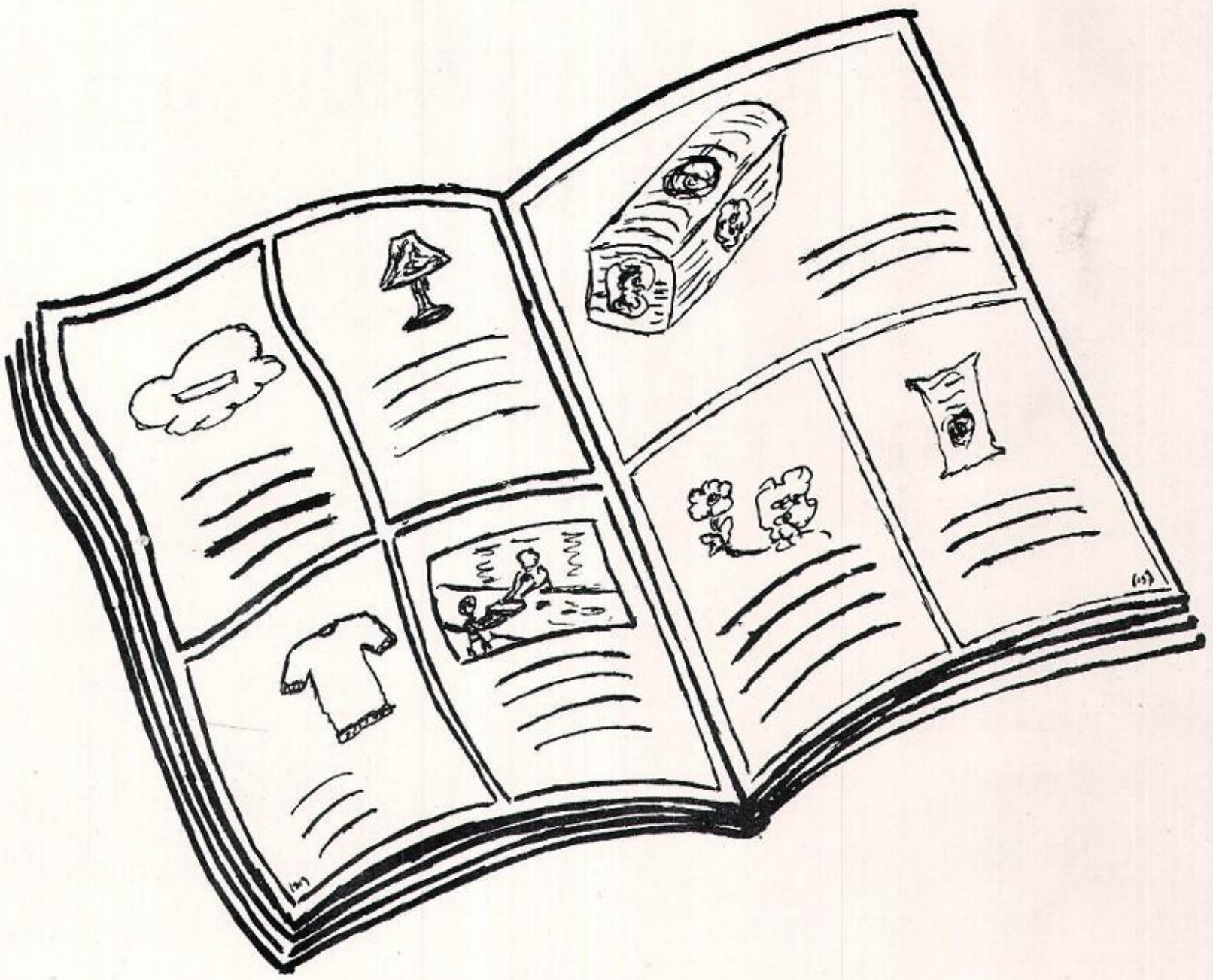

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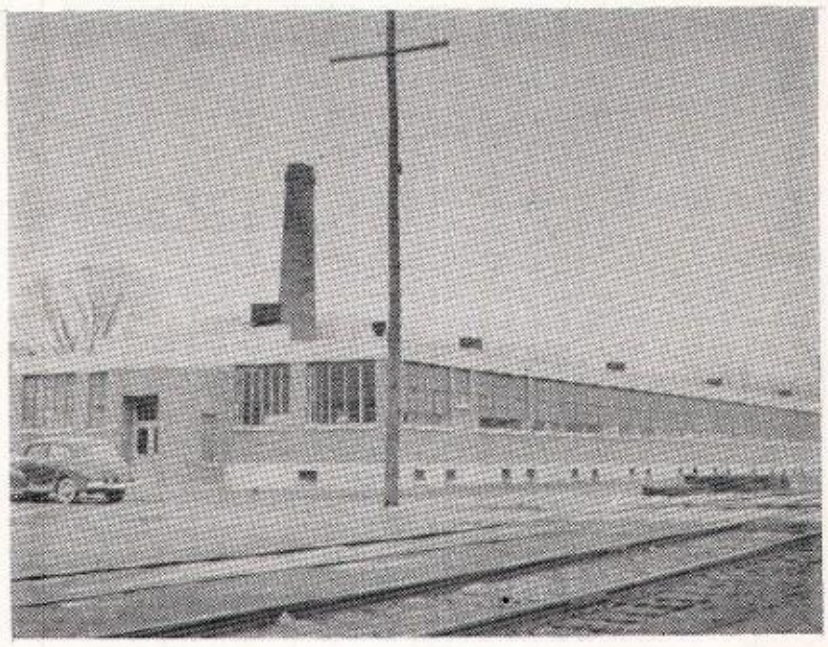

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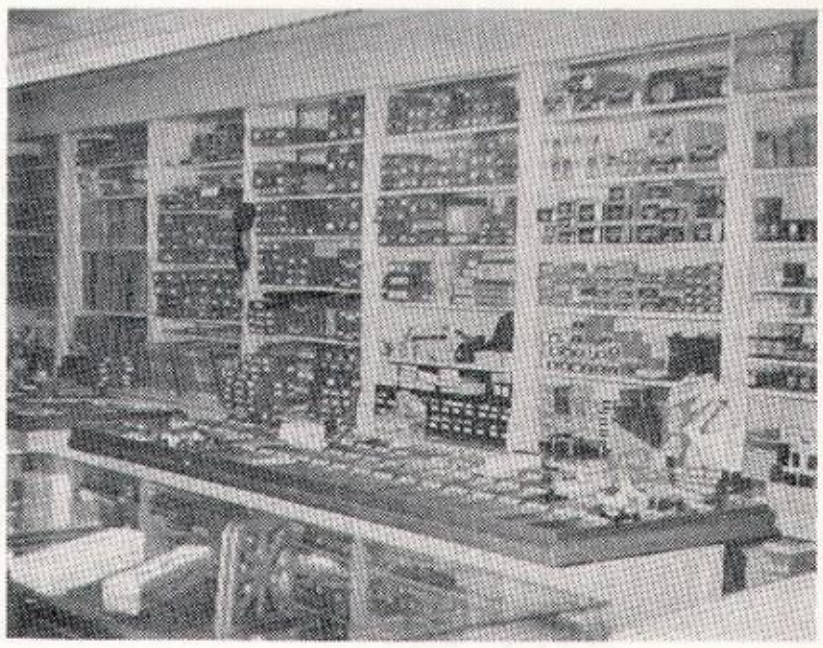

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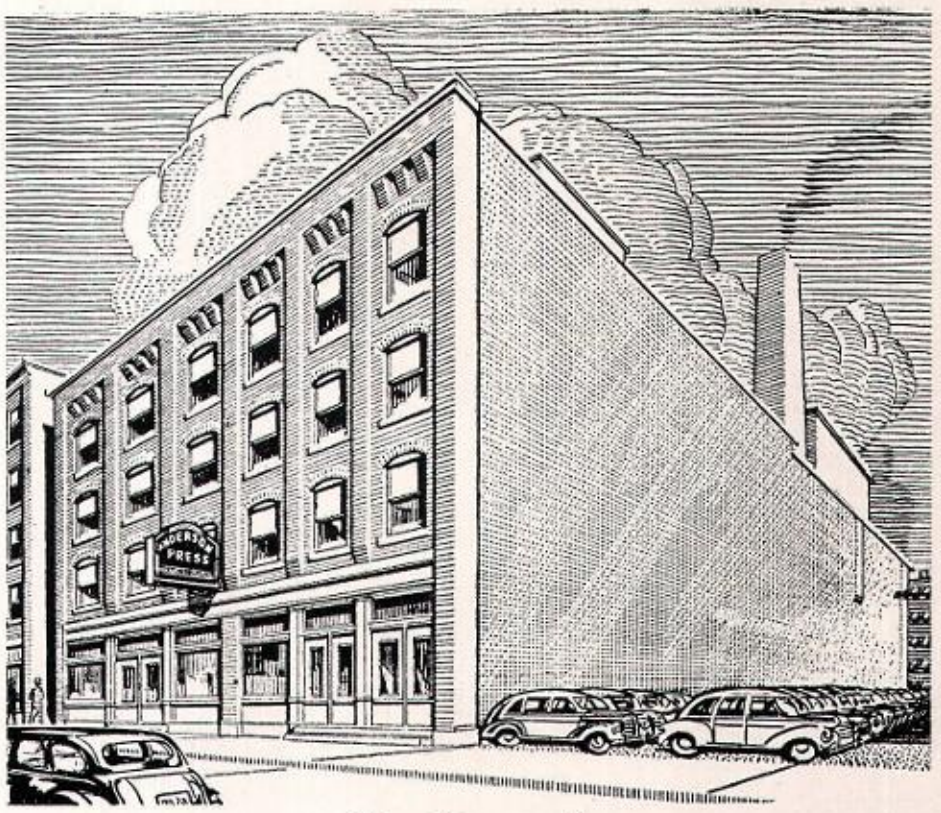

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